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Savannah and its Defenses.

At the latest advices General Sherman's entire force, before the attack on Fort McAllister, was gathered at a point whence the most effective demonstrations could be made against Savannah. He occupied the entire peninsula formed by the Ogeechee on the right, and the Savannah on the left. His rear was well guarded, for the railroad, for miles, was destroyed, and the country desolated. Communication has been opened with the fleet upon the coast, and he was certain of co-operation in that quarter. The ever active scouts and friendly citizens, informed him that General Foster was co-operating in a most formidable manner on the line of the Charleston and Savannah road. Thus assured, Gen. Sherman must have felt entirely confident of victory as he reconnoitered the position previous to making the grand attack. He had a force of quite fifty thousand men, all veteran soldiers and flush with the excitement of their successful march. His army consisted of the 14th corps under Gen. Jeff. C. Davis; the 15th corps under the vigorous fighter, Osterhaus; the 17th corps under Gen. Blair; the 20th under the brave Slocum; and 1500 cavalry under the youthful but distinguished Kilpatrick.

The foe is understood to have been under the command of Gen. Beauregard, who had hastened from the West, after committing to Hood the responsibilities of the campaign in Tennessee, and almost solitarily passed through a country almost devastated by Sherman to take command of troops in fortifications erected upon plans which had exhausted his utmost engineering skill. The force over which he assumed control consisted doubtless of the best available troops of the Confederacy, assisted by the rapidly gathered levies from Savannah and its environs. The batteries were hastily constructed and extended to as great a distance from the city as was practicable Considerable reliance, doubtless, was placed upon the protection the swamp in the rear and to the northwest of the city would afford it, at least, retarding the advance of the enemy.

Savannah is a valuable point in the South. Its strategic importance can scarcely be over-estimated. It is the key to Augusta, as its fall would insure the navigation of the Savannah river as far as that point, and thus the successful advance of a naval force would be insured beyond a doubt. In a measure, the capture of Savannah would weaken the defences of Charleston, and thus by this simple success, the entire chain of railroad communication with the South would be irretrievably broken. The rebels early in the war placed a high estimate upon the military value of Savannah and Charleston, and spared neither pains nor expense in fortifying them in the most impregnable manner. At Savannah, particularly, the forts in existence at the mouth of the river were strengthened. The numerous inlets and streams which thread the country between Savannah and the coast, were well guarded by the erection of fortifications and obstructions, which were intended to effectually bar the progress of any foe advancing by means of these channels

Besides Fort Jackson, the river is lined with huge siege guns, which command the channel, and is blockaded with heavy timbers laid up in the shape of a log house, the interior of which is filled with stone and brick, and these obstructions are all fastened to oneanother with a heavy cable chain, leaving only the passage wide enough for a boat. Just above this entrance, lies two iron-clads pretty well manned. Above these, at intervals, are torpedoes; their situation is known by the sharp pointed projection of a log about six inches from the surface. Guns are mounted on the bank, and earthworks thrown up for the protection of the men. Off from the river, about half a mile this side of Fort Jackson is another extensive fort. Beauregard has spent many an hour in laying the foundation and getting range of his point of the river. These guns together with the obstructions in the river are well intended to crush anything that attempts to come up. But for its protection from a land force from the direction of Savannah, it offers but little resistance.

Letter from Goldwin Smith.

The London Daily News publishes the following letter from Professor Smith, written at Boston on the day following the presidential election:

To the Ed. of the Daily News:

"SIR: A day which, if I mistake not, will not be long memorable in history, has passed, and the American people have decided, by a great majority, that free institutions are not a failure, and that the hope of self-government shall not be quenched for themselves or for the world.

"Under the abused name of the 'democratic' party all the enemies of the republic--the Southern planter, the social aristocrat of the North, and the Irish of great cities—strangely or rather naturally leagued with tyranny against freedom, have made a combined effort to subvert the object of their common hatred in its hour of peril; and they have received a disastrous or perhaps final overthrow.

"In this city, notwithstanding the greatness of the issue and the fierce excitement of parties, the election has gone off with perfect tranquility. In the lower wards, the crowd at the polls was almost as orderly as a crowd going into church. A few jokes and jibes were the only signs of a party conflict.

"I have looked in vain for the evidences of a tyranny of the majority. The orators and journals of both parties have spoken their sentiments with the utmost freedom. The banners of both parties have hung unmolested across the public streets; the processions of both parties have moved unmolested around all parts of the city. Nor could I perceive that social divisions were carried to an extreme. I have seen, through the contest, leading men of the opposite parties in friendly intercourse with each other.

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"In a country town to which I went in the afternoon the aspect of things was the same as in the city; and there was negros taking part in a town meeting, apparently on a perfect equality with the whites. In the city I saw the negroes going up in the line of voters to the polls, mingled with the first men in the place.

"By the defeat of the democratic party England as well as America has escaped a great danger. The concessions which the democrats were prepared to make to the slave owner they would certainly have had to balance by a 'spirited foreign policy,' of which England would have been the object. This party, as you know, are inveterately hostile to us. They rest on the slave owners and the Irish, both of them our mortal enemies, and the only enemies that, but for the reckless malignity of our aristocratic press, we should have in this nation.

"The best blood of this city is in the war. Almost every family one hears of, has paid the tribute of life. There are no doubt, very mixed elements in the army; but on the whole, I do not believe that any country has ever received a more costly free will offering of the blood of its children.

"The tone of society, so far from being indecently gay, is subdued, and great parties are thought not in good taste. The fact has come distinctly under my [illegible]

"The [illegible] intercourse I have with these people, the more convinced I am that they have in them the love of their community and the devotion to their cause, which, after their calamities and errors, will bring them out victorious; to the confusion of their enemies and ours

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Savannah and its Defenses.

At the latest advices General Sherman's entire force, before the attack of Fort McAllister, was gathered at a point whence the most effective demonstrations could be made against Savannah. He occupied the entire peninsula formed by the Ogeechee on the right, and the Savannah on the left. His rear was well guarded, for the railroad, for miles, was destroyed, and the country desolated. Communication has been opened with the fleet upon the coast, and he was certain of co-operation in that quarter. The ever active scouts and friendly citizens, informed him that General Foster was co-operating in a most formidable manner on the line of the Charleston and Savannah road. Thus assured, Gen. Sherman must have felt entirely confident of victory as he reconnoitered the position previous to making the grand attack. He had a force of quite fifty thousand men, all veteran soldiers and flush with the excitement of their successful march. His army consisted of the 14th corps under Gen. Jeff. C. Davis; the 19th corps under the vigorous fighter, Osterhaus; the 17th corps under Gen. Blair; the 20th under the brave Slocum; and 1500 cavalry under the youthful but distinguished Kilpatrick.

The foe is understood to have been under the command of Gen. Beauregard, who had hastened from the West, after consulting to Hood the responsibilities of the campaign in Tennessee, and almost solitarily passed through a country almost devastated by Sherman to take command of troops in fortifications erected upon plans which had exhausted his utmost engineering skill. The force over which he assumed control consisted doubtless of the best available troops of the Confederacy, assisted by the rapidly gathered levies from Savannah and its environs. The batteries were hastily constructed and extended to as great a distance from the city as was practicable Considerable reliance, doubtless, was placed upon the protection the swamp in the rear and to the northwest of the city would afford it, at least, retarding the advance of the enemy.

Savannah is a valuable point in the South. Its strategic importance can scarcely be over-estimated. It is the key to Augusta, as its fall would insure the navigation of the Savannah river as far as that point, and thus the successful advance of a naval force would be insured beyond a doubt. In a measure, the capture of Savannah would weaken the defences of Charleston, and thus by this simple success, the entire chain of railroad communication with the South would be irretrievably broken. The rebels early in the war placed a high estimate upon the military value of Savannah and Charleston, and spared neither pains nor expense in fortifying them in the most impregnable manner. At Savannah, particularly, the forts in existence at the mouth of the river were strengthened, The numerous inlets and streams which thread the country between Savannah and the coast, were well guarded by the erection of fortifications and obstructions, which were intended to effectually bar the progress of any foe advancing by means of these channels

Besides Fort Jackson, the river is lined with huge siege guns, which command the channel, and is blockaded with heavy timbers laid up in the shape of a log house, the interior of which is filled with stone and brick, and these obstructions are all fastened to oneanother with a heavy cable chain, leaving only the passage wide enough for a boat. Just above this entrance, lies two iron-clads pretty well manned. Above these, at intervals, are torpedoes; their situation is known by the sharp pointed projection of a log about six inches from the surface. Guns are mounted on the bank, and earthworks thrown up for the protection of the men. Off from the river, about half a mile this side of Fort Jackson is another extensive fort. Beauregard has spent many an hour in laying the foundation and getting range of his point of the river. These guns together with the obstructions in the river are well intended to crush anything that attempts to come up. But for its protection from a land force from the direction of Savannah, it offers but little resistance.

Letter from Goldwin Smith.

The London Daily News publishes the following letter from Professor Smith, written at Boston on the day following the presidential election:

To the Ed. of the Daily News:

"SIR: A day which, if I mistake not, will not be long memorable in history, has passed, and the American people have decided, by a great majority, that free institutions are not a failure, and that the hope of self-government shall not be quenched for themselves or for the world.

"Under the abused name of the 'democratic' party all the enemies of the republic--the Southern planter, the social aristocrat of the North, and the Irish of great cities—strangely or rather naturally leagued with tyranny against freedom, have made a combined effort to subvert the object of their common hatred in its hour of peril; and they have received a disastrous or perhaps final overthrow.

"In this city, notwithstanding the greatness of the issue and the fierce excitement of parties, the election has gone off with perfect tranquility. In the lower wards, the crowd at the polls was almost as orderly as a crowd going into church. A few jokes and jibes were the only signs of a party conflict.

"I have looked in vain for the evidences of a tyranny of the majority. The orators and journals of both parties have spoken their sentiments with the utmost freedom. The banners of both parties have hung unmolested across the public streets; the processions of both parties have moved unmolested around all parts of the city. Nor could I perceive that social divisions were carried to an extreme. I have seen, through the contest, leading men of the opposite parties in friendly intercourse with each other.

"I can scarcely conceive a nation in the midst of a great political struggle, more temperate, more orderly, more respectful of each other's rights, more observant of the law,

"In a country town to which I went in the afternoon the aspect of things was the same as in the city; and there was negros taking part in a town meeting, apparently on a perfect equality with the whites. In the city I saw the negroes going up in the line of voters to the polls, mingled with the first men in the place:

"By the defeat of the democratic party England as well as America has escaped a great danger. The concessions which the democrats were prepared to make to the slave owner they would certainly have had to balance by a 'spirited foreign policy,' of which England would have been the object: This party, as you know, are inveterately hostile to us. They rest on the slave owners and the Irish, both of them our mortal enemies, and the only enemies that, but for the reckless malignity of our aristocratic press, we should have in this nation.

"The best blood of this city is in the war. Almost every family one hears of, has paid the tribute of life. There are no doubt, very mixed elements in the army; but on the whole, I do not believe that any country has ever received a more costly free will offering of the blood of its children.

"The tone of society, so far from being indecently gay, is subdued, and great parties are thought not in good taste. This fact has come distinctly under my notice.

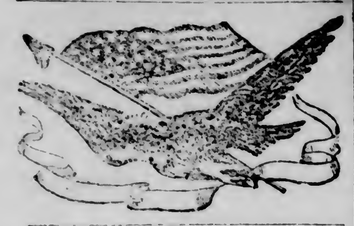
"The more intercourse I have with these people, the more convinced I am that they have in them the love of their community and the devotion to their cause, which, after their calamities and errors, will bring them out victorious; to the confusion of their enemies and ours

"I am, &c;

GOLDWIN SMITH.

"Boston, November 9."

THE HOMESTEAD



WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

JAN. 4, 1865.

H. W. HOLLEY - - - - - - - - Editor.

The News.

The news for the past week has been so good that we have given pretty much all of our space to telegrams. Such news makes us feel good; 'tis glorious, and all men ought to rejoice, and be exceeding glad. Sherman has accomplished his great aim, that of marching through Georgia to the sea coast, and has not met with the "certain" destruction which the Southern traitors and their allies at the North, declared awaited him. But instead, it has been a march crowned at every step with successes and victories such as the most sanguine had dared not hope for. Since he moved his gallant army from Atlanta, not once has he been halted or forced to change his course. Many rebel sympathisers have predicted that he might get near unto Savannah, but that he could not take the city, and that he would get himself into a country that he could not get out of. We have heard the question asked, "How is he going to get out of that country, should he succeed in once getting into it?" By the tone of despatches thus far received, we are to conclude that he is going out by the way of Augusta, Branchville and Charleston, through to Lee's rear at Richmond. If this is his plan, so sure will it be accomplished. The victory at Savannah is without a parallel. A large amount of stores of all kinds, including 33,000 bales of cotton with 8,000 prisoners, were there captured, and all without any loss of blood comparitively speaking. But the gallant Sherman does not stop here. He has already moved, and we may expect to hear of the fall of Augusta in a few days. There were no guns fired here in honor of this victory, simply because we have none, but the old flag was hoisted, and a hearty Amen, and God bless Sherman and his noble veterans, rang forth from the lips or every one.

General Thomas has succeeded in cornering Hood. He has got him backed up against the Tennessee river, the river being impassable, and Thomas says, "I will force him to fight or surrender." It will undoubtedly be a surrender, fight or no fight.

While our land forces are achieving such glorious victories, our Navy is not idle. Porter will, if he has not already, capture Fisher and Caseway, and the "one eyed brute" Butler, is bound to capture Wilmington. Under what bright prospects do we bid adieu to 1864. No year has been crowned with greater victories since the war begun. Everything has been done by our armies during the past year, that any sane man could have asked an army to do. Victory after victory, successful raids, line after line of Confederate territory, have been the reward of our arms. We think no man can find a word of fault, certainly none ought to.

Pay Up.

Many of our subscribers are getting sadly behind-hand with their subscriptions. We don't like to be everlastingly asking for these little bills, and would rather give them, than do so could we afford it. In order to save ourselves this unpleasant duty, we have concluded to send no more papers out of our office after the **1st of February next**, unless paid for in advance, and all persons who have subscribed and "promised to pay in a few days" will receive no more papers after that date, unless settlement is previously made. Ten numbers on the second volume have been published, which has given all plenty of time to renew their subscriptions. We are sorry to be compelled to resort to such measures, but at the present prices of materials of all kinds, we cannot trust any one. We have to pay cash on delivery for everything we consume, therefore must exact the same for our paper and work. A number of our subscribers have had our paper for over a year, yet we hear not a word from them regarding the pay for the same. We now give them one month more to pay up and renew their subscriptions in. All, as we said before, who have not complied with these rules at that time, will be stricken from our mail book. We hope none will take offence, should they receive no paper after the first of February. We have given you ample warning, and are compelled to adopt this mode in justice to ourselves. Come gentlemen, pay up, and don't for God's sake try to cheat a poor devil of a printer out of his just dues.

Notice.

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the office of the Town Clerk, in the town of Winnebago City on the 30th day of December, 1864, the board of Supervisors

Resolved, That each and every person who is enrolled for the United States Service in said town and knowing himself disqualified for the service, and who will go before the examining Board and have his name erased from said roll, shall receive the sum of Fourteen Dollars in town orders Also

Resolved. That any person taking the above described persons to and from St. Peter to meet the said board, shall be compensated at the rate of six dollars per day for said services, in town orders.

There are several names on the rolls which the Supervisors takes the liberty to name, and they hope they will go before the board, as we think there is doubt of their exemption, to wit:

John Chabaugh,	Edward Bersie,
Frank Deudon,	Wm. B. Hammond
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S. Washburne,	W. Burnett,
C. S. Kimball.	A. Moar.

By order of board,

J. S. Latimer, Chairman.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

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A Christmas gift from Sherman.

8,000 prisoners and 150 cannon.

Nineteen million dollars worth of cotton.

13 Locomotives, 190 Cars, & 3 Steamers.

Butler and Porter attacking Wilmington.

Hood cannot cross the Tennessee River.

THOMAS WILL COMPEL HIM TO FIGHT OR SURRENDER.

SHERMAY MOVING ON AUGUSTA, &c. &c.

(Official Gazette.)
War Department,
Washington, Dec. 26, 7 P. M.

Major General Dix:

A dispatch has been received this evening by the President from General Sherman.

It is dated Savannah, Thursday, the 22d inst., and announces our occupation of the city of Savannah, and the capture of 150 guns, plenty of ammunition, and about 25,000 bales of cotton.

An official dispatch from Gen. Foster, to Gen. Grant, dated the 22d, 7 P. M., states that the city of Savannah was occupied by Gen Sherman on the evening of the 21st, that on the preceding afternoon and night Hardee escaped with the main body of his infantry and light artillery, blowing up the iron clads and navy yards.

He enumerates the captured at 8,000 prisoners, 150 guns, 13 locomotives in good order, 190 cars, a large lot of ammunition, 3 steamers and 33,000 bales of cotton.

No mention is made of the present position of Hardee's force which has been estimated at 13,000.

The despatches from Gens. Sherman and Foster are as follows:

Savannah, Dec. 22.

His Excellency President Lincoln:

I beg to present you as a Christmas Gift the city of Savannah, with 150 heavy guns, plenty of ammunition, and about 25000 bales of cotton.

W. T. SHERMAN, Maj. Gen.

Steamer Golden City,
Savannah River, Dec. 22, 1864.

To Lieut. Gen. Grant, and Maj. Gen Halleck:

I have the honor to report that I have just returned from Gen. Sherman's Head Quarters in Savannah

I send Maj Gray of my staff as bearer of dispatches from Gen Sherman to you, also a message to the President. The city of Savannah was occupied on the morning of the 21st Gen. Hardee anticipating the contemplated assault, escaped with the main body of his infantry and light artillery on the morning of the 20th, by crossing the river to Union Causway opposite the city.

The Rebel iron clads were blown up, and the Navy Yard was burned. All the rest of the city is intact, and contains 20,000 citizens, quiet and well disposed. The captures include 8,000 prisoners, 150 guns, 13 locomotives in good order, 190 cars, large suppl. of ammunition and materials of war. 3 steamers and 33,000 bales of cotton safely stored in warehouses.

All these valuables of an almost bloodless victory have been, like Atlanta, fairly won.

I opened communication with the city with my steamers today, taking up what torpedoes we could see and passing safely over others. Arrangements are made to clear the channel of all obstructions. Yours, &c.,

J. G. FOSTER, Maj. Gen.

Fortress Monroe, Dec. 26.

The steamer California arrived here at a late hour last evening, in fifty eight hours from Fort Pulaski, bringing important dispatches from Sherman and glorious confirmatory intelligence of the capture of Savannah on the 21st

On the 20th Sherman having nearly completed the investment of the city, Fort Lee, and several other minor outworks in the immediate vicinity of the principal intrenchments, surrounding the town and planting his siege batteries in such close proximity to the rebel lines as to command effectually every position held by the forces under command of Gen Hardee, sent a summons by a flag of truce, to the effect that if the place was not in a certain time surrendered, a bombardment and assault would at once commence.

To this summons the wily rebel General sent back a reply that as his communications were yet open, and his men fully supplied with subsistance and stores of every kind, he was enabled to withstand a long siege, and was determined to hold the city to the very last moment, and defend the citizens and property which had been placed under his protection until his force was overpowered and compelled to surrender. Every preparation had been made by Sherman to assault the rebel position the next day, but when the morning of the 21st instant dawned, it was ascertained that the enemy had evacuated their entrenchments. Several regiments of infantry were immediately advanced, who took possession of them, and shortly afterwards, Sherman entered the city at the head of his body guard, and received from the hands of a deputation of citizens, the surreander of the place.

New York, Dec. 27.

The World's special from Fort Monroe 26th learns from Major Gray of General Sherman's staff particulars of the capture of Savannah The surrender was made by the Mayor and Council Sherman's and Slocum's head quarters are in the city. The demand for the surrender was made on the 16th and Sherman closed his dispatch with Hood's words to the negro troops at Dalton, to the effect that if this demand was not complied with he would take no prisoners. Hardee replied he could and would hold the city. Sherman proceeded to complete his investment of the city but owing to swamps on the north side, could not at once extend the lines in that direction. Gen Hatch's division of Foster's force held the left of our line, occupying the upper part of Hutchin's Island, completely blockading ingress and egress over the river, below where a ferry was discovered plying between the city and Union Causeway. This was the hole through which Hardee got out.

Our prisoners are increased by constantly finding them secreted.

The city is so full of citizens, refugees and others that many live on the streets.

Nearly 3000 Union prisoners have succeeded in reaching our lines.

The Millen prisoners are supposed to be forty miles south of Savannah.

Washington, Dec 28.

The World's Washington special says, speaking of Sherman, that Branchville, S. C., is of much more importance than Charlestown, as it is a great railroad centre, and once there, he could open railroad communication with Beaufort, when Charlestown will fall from its own weakness.

Washington, Dec. 27.

Sherman announces to the Sec., of War that he intended to move up the Savannah river immediately, and capture Agusta. The news today is, that he has already moved. Sherman says after this, he shall turn round on the rebels of Charlestown, destroying all the railroads on the way.

New York, Dec. 27.

The Commercial's Washington special says the War and Navy Departments have both received advices from the expedition against Wilmington.—The intelligence is highly favorable, and gives promise of almost immediate success. The Secretary of the Navy declares that Porter will capture Fisher and Caswell, then Butler to operate directly against Wilmington.

Washington, Dec. 27.

Alexander Saw, Chansellor of the Russian legation, died here to day.

THE REMARKABLE PROPERTIES of Brown's Bronchial Troches have been thouroughly tested since first introduced. The demand for them has steadily increased, and purely upon their own merits, they have found favor with those, who from Pulmonary, Bronchial, or Asthmatic, complaints require them. For Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Influenza, they are entirely efficacious, removing all obstructions, and increasing at once the power and flexibility of the voice.

Notice.

Agreement made and entered into this 27th day of December, A. D. 1864 between Alonzo Taplin of the first part and John McCormick of the second part, Witnesseth Whereas the parties hereto, heretofore comprising the firm of McCormick & Taplin, engaged in milling, in the county of Faribault and State of Minnesota, have this day sold out their entire property both real estate and personal property, together with all demands due them, to Elisha Rhodes, And whereas by the terms of said sale, said Rhodes has assumed to pay the debts of said firm to an amount not exceeding the sum of Fourteen hundred Dollars, to such persons as he shall be directed to &c., And whereas, the above named Alonzo Taplin has had sole charge of the books and accounts of the said firm, the said McCormick hereby agrees to allow him to settle with the creditors of said firm, and give his individual orders to the said Rhodes relative to the persons to be paid out of the said Fourteen hundred Dollars, and the amount to be paid to each. And the said Taplin hereby agrees, in consideration therefor, and in further consideration of the fact that he has had sole charge of said books and that said McCormick is not personally aware of the exact standing of the firm, to assume payment himself individually, and to save harmless and free the said McCormick from any and all indebtedness of the said firm exclusive of the amount assumed by the said Rhodes, as aforesaid, and in no event shall the said McCormick be called upon to pay any portion thereof.

In witness our hands and seals this day and year first above named.

Sealed and delivered in presence of A. C. Dunn.

ALONZO TAPLIN,
JOHN McCORMICK.

Notice of Disolution.

The Co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the style and firm of Richardson & Deudon, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm or having claims against them, are requested to make immediate settlement with F. Deudon.

Dated Dec. 26th 1864.

SILAS RICHARDSON,
FRANK DEUDON.

Notice of Disolution.

The co partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the style and firm of Moulton & Welch, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm, or having claims against them, are requested to make immediate settlemen with G. K. Moulton.

Dated Dec. 21st, 1864.

G. K. MOULTON,
J. H. WELCH.

The Miasma and Foul Vapors generated by the hot sun will be far more deadly to our Volunteers than the enemy's bayonets. In the Indian and Crimean campaigns, HOLLOWAY'S PILLS were used in enormous quanties. They kept the troops in perfect health.

If the reader of this notice cannot get a box of Pills or Ointment from the drug store in his place let him write to me 80 Maiden Lane, enclosing one amount and I will mail a box free of expense. Many dealers will not keep my medicines on hand because they cannot make much profit as on others make, 35 cents 88 cents and $1,40 per box or pot.

TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the whole amount of tax levyed on the dollar valuation in Martin county Minn., for the year 1864, is as follows, to wit.—

For State interest	2 mills
" " revenue,	3½ "
" County,	10 "
" " War Tax,	6 "
" " bridge tax,	8 "
" Town of Waverly,	4 cents
" " Fairmount,	4 mills
" " Nevada,	3 "
" School,	2 "
" " District No. 1	15 "
" " " " 2	8 "
" " " " 4	4 "
" " " " 5	8 "
" " " " 7	14 "

Also that I will be at the usual places of holding Elections in the several townships for the purpose of receiving taxes on the following days to wit.

In Waverly, Thursday 12th of January, 1865.
In Nashville Tuesday, 10th " "
In Nevada, Wednesday, 18th " "
In Fairmount, Tuesday, 24th " "

Fairmount Dec 20th 1864.

AARON SMITH
Treasurer of Martin county Minn.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners on the estate of Richard Chatfield deceased, of East Chain Lake, Minn. will meet at the office of the Hon. Judge of Probate, at Chain Lake Centre on Wednesday, January 25th, 1865, at nine o'clock a. m., to adjust and allow claims for and against said estate. J. C. STRONG,
Chairman of Board of Commissioners

U.S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that subscriptions will be received for Cupon Treasury Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864, semi-annual interest at the rate of seven and three-tenths per cent per annum.—principal and interest both to be paid in lawful money.

These notes will be covertable at the option of the holder at maturity, into six per cent. gold bearing bonds, payable not less than five nor more than twenty years from their date, as the Government may elect. They will be issued in denominations of $50, $100, $500, $1 000 and $5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty dollars or some multiple of fifty dollars.

As the notes draw interest from August 15, persons making deposits subsequent to that date must pay the interest accrued from the date of note to date of deposit.

Special advantages of this Loan.

IT IS A NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, offering a higher rate of interest than any other and the BEST SECURITY. Any savings bank which pays its depositors in U. S. Notes, considers that it is paying in the best circulating medium of the country, and it cannot pay in anything better, for its own assets are either in goverment securities or in notes or bonds payable in government paper.

Convertable into a Six per cent. 5-20 Gold Bond.

In addition to the very liberal interest on the notes for three years, this privilege of conversion is now worth about three per cent. per annum for the current rate for 5 20 Bonds it not less than **nine per cent. premium**, and before the war the premium on six per cent. U. S. stocks was over twenty per cent, It will be seen that the actual profit on this loan, at the present market rate, is not less than ten per cent per annum:

Its Exemption from State or Municipal Taxation.

But aside from all the advantages we have enumerated, a special act of Congress exempts all bonds and treasury notes **from local Taxation.** On the average, this exemption is worth about two per cent. per annum, according to the rate of taxation in various parts of the country.

It is believed that no securities offer so great inducements to lenders as those issued by the government. In all other forms of indebtedness the faith or ability of private parties, or stock companies, or seperate communities, only, is pledged for payment, while the whole property of the country is held to secure the discharge of all the obligations of the United States.

Subscriptions will be received by the Treasurer of the United States, at Washington, the several Assistant Treasurers and designated Depositaries, and by the

First National Bank of St Paul

And by all National Banks which are depositaries of public money, and

ALL RESPECTABLE BANKS AND BANKERS

throughout the country will give further information and

AFFORD EVERY FACILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS.

October 26, 1864. n52m2

Wanted! Wanted!!

1000 Bushels of CORN at the Mill. in Winnebago City Minn., for which the highest market will be paid.

McCORMICK & TAPLIN.

Waned! Wanted!!

Wanted at this office IMMEDIATELY a boy from 16 to 18 years of age smart and active, to learn the printing business. One that has had some experience prefered.

Sheep for Sale!

The subscriber would inform the farmers of this vicinity, that he has for sale One Hundred Wethers, and Fifty Ewes, all of which are in fine condition. Any person wishing to purchase can find me at my farm three miles west of Winnebago City, on Saturday the sixth day of November next. I will sell either at private sale or at auction. EUGENE HUNTINGTON.

$50 REWARD

STOLEN from the stable of the subscriber on the 11th inst., about 12 o'clock at night, two Bay Mares, nearly of one size. The smallest one has a white spot in the forehead in the shape of a half moon, the left hind foot white from the fetlock down. The largest is a shade the darkest, with a few white hairs over the left eye. Any one giving information where said property may be found, or returning the same to the owner, one and a half miles East of Minnesota Lake, will receive the above reward.

50wf FREDERICK POFAHL.

To Farmers.

Wanted, 5,000 bushels of Oats! The highest CASH price will be paid for oats.

Wanted. Teams to be loaded to Fort Ridgley. Apply to

52w3 MOULTON & WELCH.

Taken Up

By the subscriber about the last of October in the town of Verona Faribault County, to Calves one red mooley, the other red with line back. Also one two-year-old HEIFER, with one lop horn. The owner is requested to come, prove property pay charges and take them away.

3w3 MITCHEL BURSEL.

Farmers of the Blue-Earth valley

when you come to Mankato, stop at

O. WARD'S!

Where you can find every variety of

Dry Goods,

Hardware,

Groceries

BOOTS & SHOES.

HATS & CAPS!

WITH ALL THE LATEST STYLES OF READY MADE

CLOTHING!

And in fact everything you will be likely to want, and at PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

Try us when you come to town. If we can't suit you when you call on us, that will be our fault. If you, when you come to town, do not give us a chance to suit you that is your loss.

GIVE HIM A TRIAL

Mankato, March 16, 1864. 21y1

PRICES GREATLY REDUCED.

THE CITY

DRUG STORE!

LEWIS and FRISBIE.

(Successors to J. R. Tinkcom.)

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

Drugs,

Medicines,

Paints.

Dye Stuffs,

Cigars, and

PURE LIQUORS.

We have also a splendid assortment of

BOOKS & STATIONARY

Corner of FRONT & HICKORY sts

Mankato, Minn. 21y1

STOVES!

TIN, COPPER AND

Sheet Iron Ware

As Cheap as the Cheapest!

The undersigned would improve the opportunity now offered to acknowledge the favors heretofore received and would respectfully say to his old patrons and all others that he is now receiving a new supply of

STOVES & STOCK

in his line, and will be better prepared than heretofore supply them with a variety of

TIN, COPPER

SHEET IRON, JAPANNED

and Pressed Wares,

STOVES, PIPE

POLISH, &C.,

at prices as low as the times will admit.

Job Work and Repairing

will receive special and prompt attention.

R. E. ABBOTT.

Winnebago City, Oct. 28, 1863.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

☞ New Year's day passed off quietly enough in our city. All the stores and places of business were closed, and divine service was held in the Hall, just the same as any other Sunday. The day was a beautiful one. Old '64 left us goodnaturedly and with pleasant smiles, remarking to '65, as the curtain dropped, "do as well as I have and all will be well." If this allusion was in regard to the war, we agree with it; but if in reference to drouth and wind, we beg leave to differ, for should '65 continue to operate on the same base as '64 in this respect, we would all dry up and blow away ere the year would half pass.

Cool.--We had one of our papers returned to us a few days since marked "refused." Now there is nothing particularly out of the way in this as a general thing, but when it comes from a man who has read our paper for over a year, and has never paid a cent for it, nor shown any disposition to do so, we think it rather cool. Any man who will do this, would rob his mothers grave of her burial clothes and sell them for paper rags.

☞ The individual who got put through for stealing wood a short time since, refused to pay his fine, but concluded he had rather board it out in the "jug", to which place he was safely conducted by constable J. S. Latimer, one day last week.

☞ Christmas and New Years coming in such quick succession; the Editor being gone; having no help in our office; the wants and cares of a "large family" (the editors), to attend to; all the sheep, horses, cattle, hens, &c. &c., requisite to a 'big' farm, to see to; together with Sherman's great victory, has so completely discumfuddled us, unstrung our "narves, and things", and raised the deuce generally with our "type sticking" that we are unable to furnish our usual amount of reading matter this week. But we think our subscribers will, after taking all these things into consideration, excuse us.

Business changes.

Our business men have been changing about "like fun", lately. Messrs Moulton & Welch led off by disolving partnership, Mr. Welch retiring.

Messrs Richardson & Deudon followed suit by disolution. Mr. Richardson remaining in the grocery business at the old stand, and Mr. Deudon uniting with G. K. Moulton in the dry goods and grocery business, at the old stand of Moulton & Welch.

Next came Messrs McCormick & Taplin, who have sold out their entire mill property to E. Rhodes Esq, of this place.

☞ J. S. Latimer Esq., of this place sold his farm of one hundred acres adjoining town, a few days since, for $1,500. That was the greatest bargain we have heard of lately. Mr. L's. only excuse for selling was, that the farm was not large enough to suit him. H. Davlin Esq., was the lucky purchaser,

Pictures.--Persons wishing to get good pictures of whatever description, can do so by calling at Moulton's Hall, where C. C. McManus is prepared to take Photographs, Melaneotypes, &c., in the most approved style. He will remain but one week longer in this place. Now is the accepted time. Perfect satisfaction given, or no charges made. Give him a call.

CARD.

MR. EDITOR:—Allow me through your paper to thank the kind people of Winnebago City, for cultivating so useful a tree, as their Christmas Tree proved to be. It bore a fine pair of fur gloves for me. I feel very grateful for such useful fruit.

C. G. LOWELL.

Paid off.—The company of Minute Men that was raised in this place last fall, received pay for services rendered, a few days since. Bully for the Minute Men.

☞ J. S. Perry Esq., has a few copies of the "Indian Massacree in Minnesota" which he will sell at reduced prices.

MARRIED,

On Monday, Dec. 26th 1864, by Rev Mr. Hunt, at the house of the brides father, in Bass Lake township, Mr. H. C. THORP to Miss ANNIE CURRIE.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Attention!

All persons indebted to H. Hoyt for the service of his stallion, "Red Lion," prior to the year 1864 are requested to make immediate settlement and thereby save cost. I will give until the 7th day of September for these bills to be settled. those delinquent at that time will be prosecuted according to law. Settlement can be made with Mr. F. Harlow; at Moulton & Welchs store, he being duly authorized by me to receive money and receipt the same.

Dated Aug. 17th, 1864. H. HOYT.

MATRIMONIAL.--If you wish to marry, address the undersigned, who will send you, "without money and without price," valuable information that will enable you to marry happy and speedily, no matter how old how ugly or how poor. The information will cost you nothing; and if you wish to marry, I will cheerfully assist you. All letters strictly confidential. The desired information sent by return mail, and no questions asked.

Address SARAH B. LAMBERT.
40w4 Greenpoint, Kings Co. N. Y.

PRESERVE YOUR BEAUTY,
SYMETRY OF FORM,
YOUR HEALTH AND MENTAL POWERS,
By using that Safe, Pleasant, Popular, and Specific Remedy known as
HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

Read the advertisement in another column and profit by it— Diseases and symptoms Enumerated. Cut it out and preserve it. You may not now require it But may at some future day.

"It gives health and vigor to the frame,
And bloom to the pallid cheek."
It Saves Long Suffering and Expose. ré.
Beware of Counterfeits.
1m Cures Guaranteed.

For Sale At A

BARGAIN!

The subscriber offers for sale at his farm in Verona, a fine lot of young **BLOODED STOCK**

As he is about selling off his stock, all those wishing a good bargain should come and see it at once. Verona, Aug. 20th 1864.
4tf A. B. BALCOM.

NOTICE!

To the School District Clerks of the 3d Commissioner District: Faribault County.

You are hereby notified that I shall conduct a public examination of the teachers of the Third Commissioner District, said District comprising the towns of Winnebago City, Guthrie, Barr, Marples and Dunbar; at Moulton' & Welche's Hall in the town of Winnebago City, in said district on Saturday, the 29th day of October 1864, between the hours of one and four o'clock p. m. of said day. J. H. WELCH.
49w1 Examiner of Common Schools.

Read This!

C. C. McMANUS

has opened his Photograph and Ambrotype Gallery at Moulton's Hall, and is now prepared to take all kinds of Ambrotypes, Photographs, and Melaneotypes, in the most beautiful and finished style of the art, and at greatly reduced prices. Particular pains taken with children. All work done by me warranted to give satisfaction. All are invited to call and see for themselves. Pictures taken in all kinds of weather. I will be in town three weeks only 5w3

February & March.

HOSTETTER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS is one of the greatest strengthening preparations extant. It is especially adapted to those who are afflicted with the Fever and Ague, or any other disease arising from a disordered condition of the digestive organs. For the Fever and Ague there is perhaps no medicine in the world equal to it, as it enters, purifies and replenishes the blood, which is so important to bring about a healthy action in diseases of this nature. The Bitters are now among the most popular, and at the same time, valuable specifics in the medical world. In recommending it to the public, we are full conscious of doing them a great service, knowing, as we do, their many excellent qualities, and sure and speedy action in all cases where the disease is caused by impurity of the digestive organs. A trial will suffice for the most skeptical. ☞ See advertisement.

For sale by Druggists and dealers generaly, everywhere. 1 month

TAKEN UP

By the subscriber, in the town of Guthrie, one two year old Heifer: mostly white, dark sides, one eye blind, and right hind leg lame. The owner is requested to come approve property, pay charges and take it away.
7w3 BENDT JOHNSON

$10 REWARD!

A small box directed to Mrs. E, ESPY, Mankato. Expressed from St. Jo, Mo., was lost from the Blue Earth Valley stage about ten days since between Garden City and Mankato. I will pay the above reward for the recovery of the same.
A. D. MASON.

Taken Up

By the Subscriber on Saturday the 29th day of October about one mile South of Winnebago City Four HOGS, three of which are entirely white, the other spotted, black and white, will weigh near 100 pounds each and are about six months old. The owner is requested to come and prove property, pay dharges and take them away.
D. T. RING.

Sheep for Sale!

I have for sale 120 selected grade Merino Sheep one half Ewes, and a few choice Mar no Bucks The flock is all young, in first rate condition, and acclimated. They can be seen at the farm of the subscriber on the Vernon road three miles North of Shelbyville. Also for sale 20 acres of TIMBER in Sec. 5 Shelby Township.
v2n1w3 E. P. CHILD.

Taken Up

By the subscriber, in June last, in the town of Guthrie one light Red HEIFER between two and three years old. The owner is requested to come and prove property, pay charges and take it away.
v2n1w3 HELVOR LARSON.

Taken Up.

By the subscriber, in the town of Guthrie Faribault County, about the middle of May last, one white yearling STEER. The owner is requested to come and prove property pay charges and take it away.
3w3 THOMAS BLAIR.

Strayed

From the Subscriber a good-sized yearling HEIFER, color, bright red. Any one giving information where she may be found will be suitably rewarded.
4tf. J. H. WELCH.
Dated Winnebago City, Nov. 23d, 1864.

Taken Up

By the subscriber, in the town of Verona, about the last of July, one two year old steer, light red with spotted face, about half the tail white. the owner is requested to come and prove property, pay charges and take it away.
w3 Wm. A. GREENMAN,

NEW GOODS!

JUST RECEIVED!

MOULTON & DEUDON,

Have received their

FALL & WINTER
Stock of Goods,

And ask all in want of ANY THING at REASONABLE RATES to give them a call.

We are determined not to be undersold by any house in Minnesota, and therefore invite the people of the Blue Earth Valley to call and examine the

Style & Quality

of our

DRY GOODS

Consisting in part of POPLINS, MERINOS, PARAMATTAS TURIN CLOTHS, ALPACCAS, DELAINES, WOOL PLAIDS, GINGHAMS, PRINTS! TABLE CLOTHS CRASHES, TOWELS, HOSE, BALMORALS, HOOPSKIRTS, LADIES' & GENTS' GLOVES; HOODS SONTAGS, NUBIAS, CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, TWEEDS SATTINETTS, FLANNELS, SHEETING, SHIRTINGS, TICKINGS, AND DENIMS, &c., &c., &c., TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION,

We have also a well selected assortment of

GROCERIES,
CROCKERY,
CLOTHING,
Boots and Shoes
HATS & CAPS,
Drugs,

And in fact everything usually found in a first class country store.

Our Goods of all kinds have been carefully selected in the Eastern Market, and need only to be seen to be appreciated by good judges! The ladies will please remember that it is a particular pleasure for us to show our goods They will all bear inspection either as to QUALITY or as to PRICE.

GIVE US A CALL!

Winnebago City, Minn.,
Oct. 26, 1863.

ON TO RICHMOND!

Just received, a new and complete assortment of

GROCERIES!!

RICHARDSON & DEUDON

HAVING formed a Co-Partnership in the Grocery and Mercantile business, are now offering in Richardson's Market Block,

WINNEBAGO CITY, MINNESOTA,

One of the best selected, varied and most extensive assortment of Goods in their line

Ever imported into Faribault County,

Which they are selling to the People of the Blue Earth Valley cheaper than Mankato or any other man.

In the

GROCERY & PROVISION DEPARTMENT,

Their facilities for supplying the wants of the people of this immense region are on a scale to warrant the fullest satisfaction.

We offer to the citizens of Faribault and Martin Counties the finest stock of

Groceries and Provisions

FRESH OYSTERS
Fresh Meat,
GREEN & DRIED
FRUITS,
TOBACCO & CIGARS
THE BEST
TEAS & COFFEES,
SUGARS,
Wines & Liquors

Ever brought to this market.

Also a complete assortment of

HARDWARE!

CASH BUYERS
WILL
consult their own interests
BY CALLING, EXAMINING AND PURCHASING
From our VARIED and EXTENSIVE ASSORTMENT.
We have the
Facilities and Determination
to sell Goods as cheap as any house West of the Mississippi.

Pay Cash for Wheat, Oats, Corn.
Pork, Hides, Butter and Eggs.

RICHARDSON & DEUDON.
Winnebago City, Nov. 7, 1863. 2tf

HOSTETTETER'S
CELEBRATED

STOMACH BITTERS.

A pure and powerful tonic, corrective of wonderful efficacy in disease of the

Stomach, Liver and Bowels.

Cures Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Headache, General Debility, Nervousness, Depression of Spirit, Constipation, Colic, Intermittent Fevers Cramps and Spasms, and all Complaints of either sex, arising from Bodily Weakness, whether in the system or produced by special causes.

Nothing that is not wholesome, genial and restorative in its nature enters not into the composition of HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS. This popular preparation contains no mineral of any kind, no deadly botanical element; no fiery excitant; but it is a combination of the extracts of rare balsamic herbs and plants with the purest and mildest of all diffusive stimulents.

It is well to be forearmed against disease, and so far as the human system can be protected by human means against maladies engendered by an unwholesome atmosphere, impure water, and other external causes, HOSTETTER'S BITTERS may be relied on as a safeguard.

In Districts infested with Fever and Ague, it has been found infallible as a preventive and irresistible as a remedy and thousands who resort to it under apprehension of an attack, escape the scourge; and thousands who neglect to avail themselves of its protective qualities in advance, are cured by a very brief course of this marvelous medicine. Fever and ague patients, after being plied with quinine for months in vain, until fairly saturated with that dangerous alkaloid, are not unfrequently restored to health within a few days by the use of

Hostetter's Bitters.

The weak stomach is rapidly invigorated and the appetite restored by this agreeable Tonic, and hence it works wonders in cases of Dyspepsia and in less confirmed forms of Indigestion. Acting as a gentle and painless aperient, as well as upon the liver, it also invariably relieves the Constitution superinduced by irregular action of the digestive and secretive organs.

Persons of feeble habit, liable to Nervous Attacks, Lowness of Spirits and Fits of Languor, find prompt and permanent relief from the Bitters. The testimony on this point is most conclusive, and from both sexes.

The agony of Bilious Colic is immediately assuaged by a single dose of the stimulant, and by occasionally resorting to it, the return of the complaint may be prevented.

As a General Tonic

Hostetter's Bitters

produce effects which must be experienced or witnessed before they can be fully appreciated. In cases of Constitutional Weakness, Premature Decay, and Debility or Decrepitude, arising from Old Age, it exercises the electric influence. In the convalescent stages of all diseases it operates as a delightful invigorant. When the powers of nature are relaxed, it operates to re-enforce and re-establish them.

Last, but not least, it is

The Only Safe Stimulent

being manufactured from sound and innocuous materials, and entirely free from the acid elements present more or less in all the ordinary tonics and stomachics of the day.

No family medicine has been so universally, and, it may be truly added, DESERVEDLY popular with the intelligent portion of the community, as

Hostetter's Bitters.

Prepared by HOSTETTER & SMITH, Pittsburgh, Pa Sold by all Druggists, Grocers and Storekeepers, everywhere. 40y1

HELMBOLD'S

GENUINE PREPARATION;

COMPOUND FLUID EXTRACT BUCHU, a Positive and Specific Remedy for diseases of the Bladder, Kidneys, Gravel, and Dropsical Swellings.

This Medicine increases the power of Digestion, and excites the Absorbents into healthy action, by which the Watery or Calcareous depositions, and all Unnatural Enlargements are reduced, as well as pain and Inflammation.

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Helmbold's Extract Buchu.

For Weakness arising from Excesses, Habits of Dissipation, Early Indiscretion of Abuse, attended with the following symptoms:—

Indisposition to Exertion,	Loss of Power.
Loss of Memory,	Difficulty of Breathing,
Weak Nerves,	Trembling,
Horror of Diseases,	Wakefulness,
Dimness of Vision,	Pain in the Back,
Universal Lassitude of the Muscular System,	
Hot Hands,	Flushing of the Body,
Dryness of the Skin,	Eruptions on the Face,
Pallid Countenance.	

These symptoms, if allowed to go on, which this medicine invariably removes, soon follows

Impotency, Fatuity, Epileptic Fits,

In one of which the patient may expire.

Who can say they are not frequently followed by those "Direful Diseases."

"Insanity and Consumption."

Many are aware of the causes of their suffering.

But none will confess, the records of the Insane Asylum

And melancholy Deaths by Consumption bear ample witness to the truth of the assertion.

The Constitution once affected with organic Weakness requires the aid of Medicine to Strengthen and Invigorate the System.

Which HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU invariably does. A trial will convince the most skeptical.

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Females--Females--Females!

In many Affections peculiar to Females the Extract Buchu is unequaled by any other remedy as in Chlorosis or Retention, Irregularity, Painfulness, or Suppression of Customary Evacuations, Ulcerated or Schirrous state of the Uterus, Leucorrhœa or Whites, Sterility, and for all complaints incident to the sex, whether arising from indiscretion Habits of Dissipation, or in the

Decline or Change of Life.

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Take no more Balsam, Mercury, or Unpleasant Medicines for unpleasant and dangerous diseases.

Helmbold's Extract Buchu and Improved Rose Wash

Cures Secret Diseases.

In all their Stages,	At little expense,
Little or no change in Diet,	No Inconvenience
And No Exposure.	

It cures a frequent desire and gives strength to Urinate, thereby Removing Obstructions, Preventing and Curing Strictures of the Urethra, allaying Pain and Inflammation, so frequent in the class of diseases, and expelling all Poisonous, Diseased and worn out Matter.

Thousands upon thousands who have been the Victims of Quacks and who have paid heavy fees to be cured in a short time, have found they were deceived, and that the "POISEN" has, by the use of "Powerful Astringents," been dried up in the system, to break out in an aggravated form, and perhaps after Marriage.

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Use Helmbold's Extract Buchu for all affections and diseases of the Urinary Organs, whether existing in male or Female, from whatever cause originating and no matter of How LONG Standing.

Diseases of these organs requires the aid of a Diuretic Helmbold's Extract Buchu is the great Diuretic, and is certain to have the desired effect in all Diseases for which it is Recommended.

Evidence of the most reliable and responsible character will accompany the Medicine.

Price $1,00 per bottle, or six for $5.00.

Delivered to any Address, securely packed from observation.—Describe symptoms in all communications,

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HELMBOLD'S Drug and Chemical Warehouse.
594 Broodway, New York.

BEWARE of COUNTERFEITS and UNPRINCIPLED DEALERS who endeavor to dispose "of their own" and other articles on the reputation attained by

Helmbold's Genuine Preparations.
" " " Extract Buchu.
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Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the person applying for the benefit of this act shall, upon application to the register of the land office in which he or she is about to make such entry, make affidavit before the said register or receiver that he or she is the head of a family, or is twenty-one or more years of age, or shall have performed service in the army or navy of the United States, and that he has never borne arms against the Government of the United States or given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that such application is made for his or her exclusive use and benefit, and that said entry is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; and upon filing the said affidavit with the register or receiver, and on payment of ten dollars, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to enter the quantity of land specified: Provided however, That no certificate shall be given or patent issued therefore until the expiration of five years from the date of such entry; and if, at the expiration of such time, or at any time within two years thereafter the person making such entry,—or if he be dead, his widow; or in case of her death—shall prove by two credible witnesses that he, she, or they have resided upon or cultivated the same for the term of five years immediately succeeding the time of filing the affidavit aforesaid, and shall make affidavit that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to the Government of the United States; then, in such case he, she, or they, if at that time a citizen of the United States, shall be entitled to a patent, as in other cases provided for by law: And provided, further, That in case of the death of both father and mother, leaving an infant child, or children, under twenty-one years of age the right and fee shall enure to the benefit of said infant child or children; and the executor, administrator, or guardian may, at any time within two years after the death of the surviving parent, and in accordance with the laws of the State in which such children for the time being have their domicil, sell said land for the benefit of said infants, but for no other purpose; and the purchaser shall acquire the absolute title by the purchase, and be entitled to a patent from the United States on payment of the office fees and sum of money herein specified.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted. That the register of the land office shall note all such applications on the track books and plats of his office, and keep a register of all such entries, and make return thereof to the General Land Office, together with the proof upon which they have been founded.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That no lands acquired under the provision of this act shall in any event become liable to the satisfaction of any debt or debts contracted prior to the issuing of the patent thereof.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That if, at any time after the filing of the affidavit, as required in the second section of this act, and before the expiration of the five years aforesaid, it shall be proven, after due notice to the settler, to the satisfaction of the register of the land office, that the person having filed such affidavit shall have actually changed his or her residence, or abandoned the said land for more than six months at any time, then and in that event the land so entered shall revert to the Government.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That no individual shall be permitted to acquire title to more than one quarter section under the provisions of this act; and that the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby required to prepare and issue such rules and regulations, consistent with this act, as shall be necessary and proper to carry its provisions into effect; and that the registers and receivers of the several land offices shall be entitled to receive the same compensation for any lands entered under the provisions of this act that they are now entitled to receive when the same quantity of land is entered with money, one half to be paid by the person making the application at the time of so doing, and the other half on the issue of the certificate by the person, to whom it may be issued; but this shall not be construed to enlarge the maximum of compensation now prescribed by law for any register or receiver: Provided, That nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to impair or interfere in any manner whatever with existing pre-emption rights: And provided, further, That all persons who may have filed their applications for a pre-emption right prior to the passage of this act shall be entitled to all the privileges of this act: Provided, further, That no person who has served, or may hereafter serve, for a period of not less than fourteen days in the army or navy of the United states, either regular or volunteer, under the laws thereof, during the existence of an actual war, domestic or foreign, shall be deprived of the benefits of this act on account of not having attained the age of twenty one years.

Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the fifth section of the act entitled "An act in addition to an act more effectually to provide for the punishment of certain crimes against the United states, and for other purposes," approved the third of March, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, shall extend to all oaths, affirmations, and affidavits, required or authorized by this act.

sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent any person who has availed him or herself of the benefits of the first section of this act from paying the minimum price, or the price to which the same may have graduated, for the quantity of land so entered at any time before the expiration of the five years, and obtaining a patent therefor from the Government, as in other cases provided by law, on making proof of settlement and cultivation as provided by existing laws granting pre-emption rights.

GALUSHA A. GROW,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
S. FOOT,
President pro tem. of the senate.

Approved, May 20, 1862.
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
President of the United states.

The following is the amendment to the Homestead Law, which passed Congress on the 13th of March, 1864.

Amendment of The Homestead law.

The bill provides that in case of any person desirous of availing himself of the benefits of the homestead act of May 20, 1862, but who, by reason of actual service in the military or naval service of the United States, is unable to do the personal preliminary acts at the district land office which that act requires, it shall and may be lawful for such person to make the affidavit required by that act before the officer commanding in the branch of the service in which he may be engaged, which affidavit shall be as binding in law, and with like penalties, as if taken before the register or receiver; and upon such affidavit being filed with the register by the wife or other representative of the party, shall become effective from the date of filing, provided the application and affidavit are accompanied by the fee and commissions as required by law.

The second section provides that besides the ten dollar fee exacted by the homestead act, the applicant shall hereafter pay to the register and receiver each, as commissions, at the time of entry, one per cent, upon the cash price as fixed by law of the land applied for, and like commissions when the claim is finally established and the certificate therefore issued as the basis of a patent.

The third section provides that in any case hereafter in which the applicant for the benefit of the homestead is prevented, by reason of distance, bodily infirmity or other good cause, from personal attendance at the district land office, he may make the affidavit required by the original statute before the clerk of the court for the county in which he is an actual resident, and transmit the same, with the fee and commissions, to the register and receiver.

The fourth section provides that in lieu of the fee allowed by the twelfth section of the preemption act of 4th September 1841, the register and receiver shall each be entitled to one dollar for their services in acting upon preemption claims and shall be allowed, jointly, at the rate of fifteen cents per hundred words for the testimony which may be reduced by them to writing for claimants in establishing preemption or home stead rights.

The sixth section provides that where a preemptor has taken the initatory steps required by existing laws in regard to actual settlement, and is called away from such settlement by being actually engaged in the military or naval service of the United States, and by reason of such absence is unable to appear at the district land office to make before the register or receiver the affidavits required by the thirteenth section of the preemption act of 4th September, 1841, the time for filing such affidavit and making final proof and entry or location shall be extended six months after the expiration of his term of service, upon satisfactory proof, by affidavit, or the testimony of witnesses, that the said preempt or is so in the service, being filed with the register of the land office for the district in which his settlement is made.

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Newgate. London, November 1st, 1864.

Dear Parents, Brothers and Sisters, Friends and Acquaintances:

With trembling hand and sorrowful heart I take up the pen to give you further particulars of my misfortune, which, in consequence of my disobedience towards you, dearest parents, has followed me, and has infinitely shortened the days of my life. I now plainly comprehend the sentence which stands written in the Bible, that whosoever does not know his father and mother will be followed by an early death; but I only see it now when it is too late. I hope, nevertheless, that you who are so dear to me, will not discard me, if all the world repulse me. For hope ushers us into life, floats around the happy boy, animates youth with its magic light, and will not be buried with the grey-headed man, for if he closes his weary career at the grave, yet at the grave he plants hope; and on this account I also hope that you will forgive me with all your heart.

'I will now briefly tell you how it happened that I am overtaken by an unexpected death, which nevertheless, I do not deserve, but God oftentimes punishes men by judgements which he does not deserve, and that is now the case with me, in order to punish me for my evil deeds towards you, my dearest parents, for had I listened to you and not proceeded to England this misfortune would not have befallen me; but it is now too late, and therefore I will say no more on that subject, but will describe how it came about. I was at work with another person called Louis Wild and became acquainted with his sister, Grace Matthews, and things proceeded so far that I meditated marrying her. As I was also acquainted with her brother, John Matthews, it happened that he bought a hat for me Through the purchase of this hat he brought me to my unexpected death, as I had given up acquaintanceship with his sister.

'On July 9, 1864, a man was murdered in a railway carriage. From him a watch, chain and hat were taken at the same time, and another hat was left in the carriage, which hat was similar to the one which John Matthews had bought for me. A reward of two thousand thalers was now offered for those who could give information respecting the murder. I had long previously resolved to go to America, as you yourselves know, and therefore, on Monday July 11, 1864, I went towards the office to pay my passage to America, and on the way a watch and chain was offered to me, and I bought them, and, as it afterwards appeared, that they were the watch and chain belonging to the gentleman who was murdered in the railway carriage on July 9th, 1864. I left London for America on July 14, 1864, and reached New York on August 24, 1864, and was there arrested, because John Matthews accused me of the murder, and, consequently I was brought back to London. I could not now bring forward the man from whom I had bought the watch and chain, and John Matthews swore that the hat which was left in the railway carriage, was the hat he had bought for me on October 24 1863. I was now required to say where I was on July 9, and what I did; yet the people could not remember, which might easily be the case, after so long a time, and on this account I was found guilty of murder and sentenced to death; but God, the Almighty, knows that I am innocent, and, therefore, I shall die in peace.

"I have now said all upon the subject that I can say, and therefore end my letter, for I have nothing more to say. We must now part from one another for this world; therefore farewell forever, nevertheless my fervent blessing follows you. I shall see you no more in this world, and only in that world where there will be no more seperation. Loving you sincerely here I await with longing heart the moment when we shall see one another again in that world. In this hope I will conclude, but I pray dearest parents, and brothers and sisters, that you will not be sorrowful, for I am tranquil and in peace, for what can give greater consolation than to be in affliction without guilt, and as it is also said in the Holy Scripture, 'Fear not they who can kill the body, fear rather much more they who can destroy both body and soul;' and, therefore I shall atone for the sins toward you of which I have been guilty, and then the Lord will also graciously receive me Time has been left me till the 14th of November, and therefore I write you some lines and send them as soon as possible, in order that I may have peace which I can only receive when you forgive me from your heart, and that you will not refuse me. In the hope that you will not let my request be unoccupied with

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Returned Prisoners at Annapolis

From the Philadelphia 'Press.'

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"One poor man of about fifty five years of age was making his way behind all the rest to reach the ambulance. He thought it would leave him, and panting cried out with a most anxious and pitiful expression of countenance, 'Oh, wait for me!' I think I shall never forget his look of distress When he reached the ambulance he was too feeble to step in, but Capt. Davis and Rev. J. A. Whittaker, Sanitary Commission Agent here, assisted him till he was placed by the side of his companions, who were not in much better condition than himself. When he was seated he was so thankful that he wept like a child, and those who stood by could do no less. Soldiers, brave soldiers, officers and all were moved to tears. That must be sad discipline which not only wastes the manly form till the sign of humanity is nearly obliterated, but breaks the manly spirit, and makes it as tender as a child's.

"The dead and dying are carried off the steamer first, and the battalions arranged as before. I could narrate many tales of sadness and woe, for I know that underneath the emaciated forms, that are borne on stretchers to the hospitals, and those with a little more life, who are slowly, foot by foot making their way to the space near the barracks, there are crushed spirits and bruised hearts that only await the time and occasion for utterance more at length than they have already poured out to me; but, for the slightest attention they receive, they pass on with 'God bless you,' 'Oh, thank you,' 'How kind,' &c.

"In a short time another boat load drew near, and oh! such a scene of suffering humanity my eyes never desire to behold again. The whole deck was a bed of straw for our exhausted, starved, emaciated, dying fellow creatures. Of the first five hundred and fifty that left Savannah, the surgeon informed me not over two hundred would survive, three died while the boat was coming to the land of liberty. I saw five men dying as they were carried on stretchers from the boat to the naval hospital. The stretcher bearers were ordered by Surgeon B. Vanderkief, to pause a moment that the names of the dying men might be obtained. To the credit of the officers and their assistants it should be known that everything was done in the most systematic and careful manner. Every stretcher had four attendants who stood in line and came up promptly, one after the other, to receive the sufferer as he was carried by two men off the boat. There was no confusion, no noise; all acted with perfect military order. Ah! it was a solemn funeral service to many a brave soldier that was thus being performed by kind hearts and hands.

Some had become insane; their wild gaze and clenched teeth convinced the observer that their reason had fled. Others were idiotic A few were lying in spasms; perhaps the realization of the hope long cherished, but often deferred, or the welcome sound of the music sent forth by the military band, was more than their exhausted nature could bear. When blankets were thrown over them, no one would have supposed that a human form lay beneath, save for the small prominence which the bony head and feet indicated. Oh, God of justice! what retribution awaits the perpetrators of such slow and awful murder?

"The hair of some was matted together, and, like beasts of the stall, they had lain in their own filth, vermin running over them in abundance. Nearly every man was darkened by scurvy, or black with patches or scales, and with scorbutic sores. One in particular was reduced to the merest skeleton; his face, neck and feet covered with thick, green mould. A number who had Government clothes given them on the boat were too feeble to put them on, and were carried ashore partially dressed, hugging their new clothes with a death grasp that they could not be persuaded to yield. It was not unfrequent to hear a man feebly call, as he was laid on a stretcher, 'Don't take my clothes,' 'Oh save my new shoes;' Don't let my socks go back to Andersonville.' In their wild death-struggle, with bony hands and arms extended, they would hold up their new socks, that could not be put on because of their swollen limbs, saying. 'Save 'em till I get home.' In a little while however, the soul was released from its worn out frame, and borne to that higher home where all things are registered for a great day of account.

Minnesota in the fight.

A correspondent of the Winona Republican gives the following account of that part of the battle of the 16th in which our Minnesota regiments did so nobly:

On the morning of the fifteenth the whole army, under the command of General Thomas, consisting of about 60,000 men, advanced on the rebel works— the 16th corps being about in the centre, while on the right was the 23rd, and on the left the 4th, besides some three thousand cavalry that swung around on the right of all, endeavoring to flank the enemy. Skirmishing commenced early in the morning with the pickets, and as our line advanced the fire on both sides became brisker until about 11 o'clock, when the artillery burst forth with deafening roar, and then the whole line was enveloped in smoke. Our men advanced all the while, driving the enemy from one field to another until it was deemed necessary to charge their works.

The 3d brigade, Col. Hill commanding, undertook the task, and charged up a steep hill through the mud and brush and a raking fire from the enemy's guns, never faltering, but planting the stars and stripes over the redoubt at the mouth of the cannon, which the rebels were obliged to leave, not having time to spike them. In less than ten minutes the same battery was in the hands of the 7th and was throwing shells into the rebel ranks.

Col. Hill was killed while leading the charge. Col. Marshall at once taking command of the brigade led it through the hottest fire, charging several times during the day and only losing a few men. Night setting in the firing ceased, and our men bivouacked within speaking distance of the enemy.

The 16th opened with heavy firing on both sides, our men advancing all the while until noon, when our forces had driven the enemy over six miles of contested ground. And now the rebels had secreted themselves behind a stone fence at the foot of a range of hills facing an open field, on the left of the Granny White pike, and to drive them a bold charge had to be made. Col. Marshall, seeing what could be accomplished, asked permission of Gen. Smith to make a charge, but was refused, the General knowing the lives it would cost to make it:

However, Colonel Marshall seeing the 2d brigade advancing on his right, and determined to hit the nail on the head while hot, ordered a charge. No sooner had our men advanced to the rise of ground than the enemy opened with shell and musketry, mowing the men down along the line. Still they kept on, and Col. Marshall was the first man over the works, soon followed by the brigade. Here a battery of six pieces and several hundred prisoners were taken."

Marrying at Large.

At Buffalo, recently, a Justice of the peace was called to go to a German house in the city, and marry a couple. Putting on a clean collar and slipping a marriage certificate into his pocket, he started for the festive scene. Arriving at the house under the direction of a blue legged little boy, who pointed out the place, he knocked and went in. In the middle of the floor stood a stout German girl sorry and plump, her blue eyes rolling out tears as big as butter pats.

'What's the matter?' said the sympathetic Justice.

'Matter,' said the girl, 'Dat Gotleib went off and wouldn't marry me, ain't it motter enough?'

The Justice said he suppsed it was, and intimated that he had come to marry some one, and requested the old lady to bring on the lambs to the sacrifice.

The old lady said, 'dare vös no lambs, Gotleib ish run off and vill not marry my Katarina.'

'Well,' said the Justice, 'Gotleib is not the only man there is; send for some other man to marry her.'

At this Katarina's face brightened up and she ejaculated, 'Yah, dat ish goot, send mit Hans.'

Hans was sent for, but unfortunately could not come. When her messenger returned, Katarina determined not to give it up, and said, 'Send mit Shoseph.' Shoseph was sent for but couldn't be found.

Katarina's heart fell at this news and the Justice was growing impatient; Just then Katarina looked out of the the window and saw a short and thick young German going by when she rushed to the door and hallooed, 'Fritz, Fritz!' Fritz shortly made his appearance at the door when Katarina's mother said, 'Fritz, you lofs mine Katarina?' Fritz allowed he did more as sourkrout.

'Then stand up here,' thundered the Justice, and before Fritz could realize his position, he was man and wife, and Katarina's arms were around his neck and her lips pressed to his, she crying between the calisthenics, 'Mein husband, mein Fritz.'

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Have for sale at all times, large quantities of Winnebago Trust Lands, and other valuable Farming lands.

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Winnebago City Minn. Aug. 31st '64 44tf

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COUNTY SURVEYOR.
Of Faribault County Minn.
RESIDENCE in Prescott township, but orders by mail should be directed to Verona. Post office, with the number of section, town, and Range where the work is required to be done.
I am prepared at all times to lay out town-town plots and in fact do all other work in the surveyor's line. 24tf.

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Manufacturer of
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Ready-Made Boots and Youths' Boots on hand.
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WATCH & JEWELRY STORE.
The undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens Mankato and surrounding country, that he has taken rooms in the building occupied by Mr. WOLEFEN ON DOOR above RECORD OFFICE for the purpose opening a
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Having had several years experience in one of the largest establishments in Philadelphia, I can assure the public that all work left in my charge will be executed in the neatest and most durable manner.
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Mankato. 26y1 Dec. 4th, 186,

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Nearly opposite the CLIFTON HOUSE
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EDITOR of "Free Homestead,"—DEAR SIR:—With your permission I wish to say to the readers of your paper that I will send by return mail to all who wish it (free), a receipe, with full directions for making and using a simple Vegetable Balm, that will effectually remove, in ten days Pimples, Blotches, Tan, Freckles, and all impurities of the Skin, leaving the same soft, clear, smooth and beautiful.

I will also mail free to those having Bald Heads, or Bare Faces, simple directions that will enable them to start a full growth of Luxuriant Hair, Whiskers, or a Moustache, in less than thirty days.

All applications answered by return mail without charge. Respectfully yours,
THOS. F. CHAPMAN, Chemist
39m3 331 Broadway, New York.

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SWALLOW about two or three hogsheads of "Buchu," "Tonic Bitters," "Sarsaparilla," "Nervous Antidotes," &c., &c., &c., and after you are satisfied with the result, then try one box of OLD DOCTOR AUCHAN'S ENGLISH SPECIFIC PILLS—and be restored to health and vigor in less than thirty days. They are purely vegetable, pleasant to take, prompt and salutary in their effects on the broken-down and shattered constitution. Old and young can take them with advantage. Imported and sold in the United States only by JAS. S. BUTLER, No. 427 Broadway, New York.
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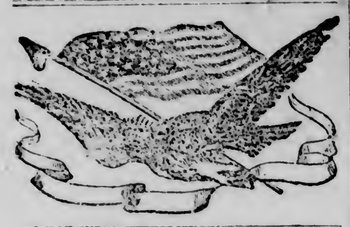

WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

JAN. 11, 1865.

H. W. HOLLEY - - - - - - - - Editor.

More Stealing.

Of all towns this carries the banner flag for little, mean thieving. We blush to own this fact, and only do it hoping by so doing to cause others to blush also, and shame the authorities into action on this subject, other than 'compromise'. For the past two or three months, not a week, scarcely a day, has passed without something being stolen from the hotel, or some of the stores, or when failing there private dwellings are visited. When the business was first opened, harness' buffalo-robes, carpets, meat, whips, and such articles appeared to satisfy the firm. But now, having tolen everything of that character that could be found, they are beginning to feel around travelers pockets, and money drawers, for things of more value. Only a short time since a gentleman left his overcoat hanging in the bar room of the hotel, and stepped out for a few moments. During his absence his pocket was rifled of a handsome revolver. Certain parties were watched, were seen the next evening go where the property had been secreted and get the revolver, he was followed into the store, immediately searched and the revolver found on his person. He blushed and stammered, and stammered and blushed, said he didn't mean to (have it found out), said he found it by stepping on it when he came out of the hotel; said he found it in the street (or some other place), and finally wound up with "I did'nt steal it," after which he was let off, and that's the last of that affair.

On Saturday night last, the money drawer of Mr. Kimball was opened and money taken therefrom. A portion of the money was found the next morning secreted in the old log stable belonging to Mr. Kimball. We would ask, is there no way to stop this? For what do we elect Sheriffs, Justices, and Constables, if it is not to look after these things? A number of these thieves have been caught, but only one out of the number has been tried, and he was sent to jail on some bungling papers and was released the next day on the ground of false imprisonment. The rest that have been caught have got off on the ground that they didn't mean to (get caught) and saying they would not do so any more, and paying a little for the trouble they had caused. And all of these cases have been detected, brought to light, and settled by our officers who have been elected to see to it that our peace and order laws are adhered too, and guilty parties punished.

It will soon be unsafe for a man to have anything more than the clothes on his back, and not even that unless he sleeps with them on. Keep your eyes peeled, Squire, for the man that stole the money, and if you catch him put him through, and don't settle it, on the poor devil's excusing himself, nor his five dollars either. The community looks to you as one of its protectors, and you are, not only in duty, but by the requirements of your oath, bound to be its protector.

☞ Let all Copperheads read the article on our first page entitled 'Returned prisoners at Annapolis." We print it for your especial benefit. As you think so much of rebels and their cause, you must feel good when you read of their 'noble doings.' It will undoubtedly give you cause of great rejoicing to read how 'kindly and humanely' they treat the Union soldiers who are so unfortunate as to fall into their hands. Would you not like to fold these traitors to your bosom and "treat them so kindly that they would be glad to return"? What a pity that such 'noble' men as these leaders of rebellion are, can not have control of this country. Are you not proud of your associations? proud to be one of the few who sustain and laud men that starve to death our brave soldiers, and treat them, while life remains, worse than you would treat the meanest dog? **Glorious, is'nt in?**

☞ Farmers will bear in mind that the time for sowing Flax seed will soon be at hand. All who wish to enlist in the enterprise of Flax growing, should hand in their orders at once, so that the seed may be procured by the time the ground is ready for it. If enough seed is taken in this county to make it in any way profitable, we are promised that the machinery for working it up, will be brought to this place in the spring. There is no doubt but that Flax is a profitable production, and having a home manufacture will add greatly to its worth. The straw alone is worth from $16 to $18 per ton. Try it, farmers.

☞ All persons intending to go to St. Peter, from this town, to be examined, will please to give notice to me as soon as the 15th inst, and the necessary arrangements will be made for their conveyance there and back.

J. S. LATIMER.

[From the Prairie Gem.]

A New Years Address.

A happy New Year, to the young and the old,
To the sad and the weary, the fair and the bold,
To all and to each, a happy new year;
Eighteen sixty four, farewell with the years that are gone,
Down the river of time thou followest them on.
Lo! we pause in our gladness, to whisper good-bye,
To breathe at thy passing, farewell and a sigh;
And to summons again in our chambers of tho't
All the memories of gladness, or grief thou hast brought.
Though a mantle of night o'er the future is cast,
We can look through the veil that hangs over the past,
And summing the noted events of the year,
Seal the joys with a smile, and the griefs with a tear,
But leaving this subject, our thoughts wander down
To the present fair prospects of our happy town,
Still thriving and prosperous, no town can compair,
With Winnebago City, her glory to share.
In her worth, in her wealth, in her high honored names,
Her sons patriotic, brave men and fair dames.
Just pass through our streets, at Moulton's and Deudon',
See the best of Dry Goods, and the prices they put on;
Go to Johnson's and be shod, then answer me true
Who could suit you more nicely, with boot or with shoe.
While others in trade you may see as you go,
There is Richardson, Perry, Holley and Jo,
And others too numerous to mention indeed,
There's McCormick & Taplin, who grind us our feed;
They're worthy of note, and we cannot to you,
Repeat all the praises, that is justly their due,
For time it would fail us, this morning, although
Let us mention some others, and then we will go.
Our Hotel none can beat it, we firmly declare,
Kind landlord, fair charges, and excellent fare.
To render our columns well pleasing to you,
We would ask for your favors, and patronage too,
And pay promptly the Printer, give the Devil his due.

And now in conclusion, what more can be said
Than to wish the merchant good pay and quick trade,
To the doctor slow practice, but generous fees,
And luck in expelling their germs of disease
To the farmer good crops, to the lawyer a fee,
And skill, all the quabbles of law to agree.
To old maids a husband, to the maiden a beaux,
To the youth a fair lady, and as we all know
That an old bach is only nine tenths of a man,
Let us note him as slightly as ever we can.
And a Happy New Year to the young and the old,
To the sad and the merry, the fair and the bold;
To the grave and the gay, to the distant and near,
To all, and to each, a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

[From the PRAIRIE GEM.]

WAR.

Where is there a person, that the woe of war does not send a thrilling pain into the heart, and ask them what has caused it? Who will answer, the Democrats or Republicans, the Copperheads or Abolitionists, has either of these parties so degraded themselves as to endanger our once noble country to desolation and ruin? It has been basely carried on by some party, and for what purpose? we may readily answer, for the sole purpose of freeing the Negro. That it is, for which so many Fathers, Brothers, Husbands, and Sons have left a quiet peaceful home, and go forth to struggle with the foe, to perish and die on the battle-field, without one word of consolation from a mother, sister or even a friend, e're he departs from this world of affliction, to abide in a world where sorrow is never known, and where peace and happiness reign forever.

Yet we must not complain. The poor slave must be freed, if every one of America's sons perish in the contest. It matters not to some whether our country is saved or not; it is not that for which a portion of our men have gone forth in defense of; proclaiming to be true patriots, true to their country, true to their God. No! It is far from that. They are working, combatting, and calling for aid, not to save their country alone, but to set at liberty a wretched, detestable race of beings who are far better off where they are. If they would meditate on the subject a short time, I think they wo'd become convinced of the truth, and thereby learn that their country is of nearly as much value, as what they are fighting for.

War is war, and one party must conquer, and the other be conquered, but this is a mystery to even the leading men of the Rebellion, which will gain the victory. It is immeterial to them, whether the war continues or closes; they are making their fortunes in the meantime, depriving the poor man that labors from dawn of day, till set of sun, even of a place to rest his weary limbs at night. God grant that such brutes may repent of their crimes, and pay the penalty which they have caused to overshadow our country. To make my views regarding this heartrending subject brief, I hope and pray that a better day may dawn e're this year closes, that our friends may return and that peace and plenty, and our beloved country may be restored to us again.

L. WALDERGRAVE.

Incident of the Franklin Fight.

Captain N. K. Brown, of the 64th Ohio volunteers, was, just after the first lull in the engagement with the rebels at Franklin, on the left of the line, near the cotton gin, requested by Major Colton to take charge of a volunteer skirmishing party and advance over the works to see and learn the condition of things in front of the works, which the rebels had to that moment, been assaulting so violently. It was now quite dark. He sprang upon top of the parapet and called for men whom he soon obtained, and advanced them over the rebel dead for nearly four hundred yards, when he halted them and advanced forward himself a few rods to see the condition of things, and to determine if the enemy was yet behind the works near them he had evacuated. He had not gone far before he learned that they were lying behind them, when he turned to leave, but was stopped by a large rebel Captain who approached him and said 'Good evening;' he replied, 'Good evening,' and asked the rebel if he was wounded. He replied 'No,' but that he was very tired, and such charging was enough to kill anybody, and that they had been nearly annihilated. Captain Brown answered, 'Yes, we were awfully used up.' The rebel Captain then asked him if he knew where his regiment was re forming. Captain Brown asked what regiment, and the rebel answered 'The 49th Tennessee.' Captain Brown replied that he did, and told him if he wished to go to it he would show him to it, as he was going directly past it. The rebel assented and went along into the Yankee lines, when Captain Brown informed him that the larger part of his regiment was forming behind Yankee bayonets, when he spoke up quickly, 'What, are you a Yankee?' Captain Brown told him he was, when he became very angry, saying that it was a d—d mean Yankee trick.

Results of General Thomas' Victories.

Nashville, December 24, 1864.—The weather has materially interfered with the pursuit of Hood. First there were three or four days of almost incessant rain; and then a cold snap succeeded so that in either case, the pursuit could not be so fruitful as it would otherwise have been. Nevertheless it has done well. So great has been Hood's loss that his army has ceased to be formidable to us, or useful to the Confederacy. It now numbers less than 20,000 men; one half cavalry, a branch of the service which has suffered but little during the late contests, owing to the fact that it was scattered over the the country gathering supplies and could not be collected in time to take part in the battles.

Hood's loss since the commencement of the campaign north of the Tennessee, is not far from 20,000, nearly all falling upon his infantry and artillery. The woods are full of deserters. The man who first raised the rebel flag in ths city, M. L. Brooks, a well known journalist, arrived here yesterday disgusted with the service. He says that every member of his company deserted and he would not remain longer. He was a prisoner here in 1862, and was offered his liberty then if he would take the oath of allegiance. but he refused. Now, however, he has given the matter up. He says no man in the South now expects to gain their independence. The defeat of McClellan swept away their last hope.

In order to arrive at something like a correct statement of the number of prisoners captured in the late battles, I made inquiry of Captain Goodwin, who has charge of the matter, and to him I am indebted for the following table of numbers received since the 16th inst.

Commanding Officers reported,	589
Enlisted men reported,	2,268
Total,	5,857

These are soldiers who have been actually enrolled at the Provost Marshal's office; but besides these, we have the following, of whom rolls have not yet been made out:

Wounded here,	800
Wounded at Franklin,	2,500
Total,	3,300
Aggregate,	9,157

Besides the above, there were captured after Hood crossed the Tennessee and before the battle of the 15th, 1,420 men, which number added to the above will make a grand total of 10,578. The rebels have lost during the whole campaign, twenty-five Generals, while we have lost two slightly wounded; and our aggregate loss of every kind will not reach 5,000

The 10,000 rebel loss above, however, represents but a small portion of the whole. Nearly all the Tennesseans and Kentuckians have deserted the service, and they are arriving here at the rate of one hundred per day while many seek their homes without reporting at all.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES—This Universal Remedy for Coughs, Colds, and Bronchial Affections now stands the first in public favor and confidence; this result has been acquired by a test of thirteen years. Its merit and extensive use have caused the troches to be countericited, and we would caution purchasers to be on their guard against worthless imitations.

NOTICE—The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Winnebago City, will meet on Saturday, the 14th instant at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of Auditing accounts, and transacting such other town business as may come before them. J. S. LATIMER, Chairman.

NEW GOODS.

Just received, a new and complete assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, consisting in part, of

Dry Goods and GROCERIES.

J. M. THOMPSON.

GARDEN CITY, MINN.,

WOULD respectfully announce to the people of Faribault and Blue Earth counties, that he has just received a large assortment of Goods for

FALL & WINTER!

SUCH AS—

Prints, Shawls.
De Laines, Boots & Shoes,
Denims, wool Yarn,
Brown Sheeting. Cod Fish.
Bleach'd Sheet'g, Mackerel,
Cassimeres, White Fish.
Satinetts, Dried Apple,
KENTUCKY JEANS,
STRIPES
DRIED PEACHES
CANDLE WICKING

HATS & CAPS.

☞And in fact everything kept in a WELL FILLED country store, all of which will be sold as cheap as

Can be bought in the State.

The highest CASH prices will be paid for

Wheat & Furs!

☞ Remember the place—
NEXT DOOR SOUTH THE HOTEL

Notice of Disolution.

The Co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the style and firm of Richardson & Deudon, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm or having claims against them. are requested to make immediate settlement with F. Deudon.

Dated Dec. 26th 1864.

SILAS RICHARDSON,
FRANK DEUDON.

Notice of Disolution.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the style and firm of Moulton & Welch, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm, or having claims against them, are requested to make immediate settlement with G. K. Moulton.

Dated Dec. 21st, 1864.

G. K. MOULTON,
J. H. WELCH.

Health for the Soldier!—For one who dies from the effects of the bullets, ten perish from damp and exposure to night air. Small doses of HOLLOWAY'S PILLS, taken every other night, will correct all disorders of the liver and stomach, purify the blood, and insure sound health to every man.

If the reader of this notice cannot get a box of Pills or Ointment from the drug store in his place let him write to me 80 Maiden Lane, enclosing one amount and I will mail a box free of expense. Many dealers will not keep my medicines on hand because they cannot make much profit as on others make, 35 cents 88 cents and $1,40 per box or pot.

TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the whole amount of tax levyed on the dollar valuation in Martin county Minn., for the year 1864, is as follows, to wit.—

For State interest	2 mills
" " revenue,	3½ "
" County,	10 "
" " War Tax,	6 "
" " bridge tax,	8 "
" Town of Waverly,	4 cents
" " Fairmount,	4 mills
" " Nevada,	3 "
" School,	2 "
" " District No. 1	15 "
" " " " 2	8 "
" " " " 4	4 "
" " " " 5	8 "
" " " " 7	14 "

Also that I will be at the usual places of holding Elections in the several townships for the purpose of receiving taxes on the following days to wit.

In Waverly, Thursday 12th of January, 1865.
In Nashville Tuesday, 10th " "
In Nevada, Wednesday, 18th " "
In Fairmount, Tuesday, 24th " "
Fairmount Dec 20th 1864.

AARON SMITH
Treasurer of Martin county Minn.

Noiice.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners on the estate of Richard Chatfield deceased, of East Chain Lake, Minn. will meet at the office of the Hon. Judge of Probate, at Chain Lake Centre on Wednesday, January 25th, 1865, at nine o'clock a. m., to adjust and allow claims for and against said estate. J. C. STRONG,
Chairman of Board of Commissioners

U.S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that subscriptions will be received for Cupon Treasury Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864, semi-annual interest at the rate of seven and three-tenths per cent. per annum,—principal and interest both to be paid in lawful money.

These notes will be covertable at the option of the holder at maturity, into six per cent. gold bearing bonds, payable not less than five nor more than twenty years from their date, as the Government may elect. They will be issued in denominations of $50, $100, $500, $1,000 and $5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty dollars or some multiple of fifty dollars.

As the notes draw interest from August 15, persons making deposits subsequent to that date must pay the interest accrued from the date of note to date of deposit.

Special advantages of this Loan.

IT IS A NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, offering a higher rate of interest than any other and the BEST SECURITY. Any savings bank which pays its depositors in U. S. Notes, considers that it is paying in the best circulating medium of the country, and it cannot pay in anything better, for its own assets are either in government securities or in notes or bonds payable in government paper.

Convertable into a Six per cent. 5-20 Gold Bond.

In addition to the very liberal interest on the notes for three years, this privilege of conversion is now worth about three per cent. per annum for the current rate for 5-20 Bonds it not less than **nine per cent. premium**, and before the war the premium on six per cent. U. S. stocks was over twenty per cent, It will be seen that the actual profit on this loan, at the present market rate, is not less than ten per cent per annum:

Its Exemption from State or Municipal Taxation.

But aside from all the advantages we have enumerated, a special act of Congress exempts all bonds and treasury notes **from local Taxation**. On the average, this exemption is worth about two per cent. per annum, according to the rate of taxation in various parts of the country.

It is believed that no securities offer so great inducements to lenders as those issued by the government. In all other forms of indebtedness the faith or ability of private parties, or stock companies, or seperate communities, only, is pledged for payment, while the whole property of the country is held to secure the discharge of all the obligations of the United States.

Subscriptions will be received by the Treasurer of the United States, at Washington, the several Assistant Treasurers and designated Depositaries, and by the

First National Bank of St Paul

And by all National Banks which are depositaries of public money, and

ALL RESPECTABLE BANKS AND BANKERS

throughout the country will give further information and

AFFORD EVERY FACILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS.

October 26, 1864. n52m2

Wanted! Wanted!!

1000 Bushels of CORN at the Mill, n Winnebago City Minn., for which the highest market will be paid.

McCORMICK & TAPLIN.

Waned! Wanted!!

Wanted at this office IMMEDIATELY a boy from 16 to 18 years of age smart and active, to learn the printing business. One that has had some experience prefered.

Sheep for Sale!

The subscriber would inform the farmers of this vicinity, that he has for sale One Hundred Wethers, and Fifty Ewes, all of which are in fine condition. Any person wishing to purchase can find me at my farm three miles west of Winnebago City, on Saturday the sixth day of November next. I will sell either at private sale or at auction. EUGENE HUNTINGTON.

$50 REWARD

STOLEN from the stable of the subscriber on the 11th inst., about 12 o'clock at night, two Bay Mares, nearly of one size. The smallest one has a white spot in the forehead in the shape of a half moon, the left hind foot white from the fetlock down. The largest is a shade the darkest, with a few white hairs over the left eye. Any one giving information where said property may be found, or returning the same to the owner, one and a half miles East of Minnesota Lake, will receive the above reward.

50w4 FREDERICK POPAHL.

To Farmers.

Wanted, 5,000 bushels of Oats! The highest CASH price will be paid for oats.

Wanted, Teams to be loaded to Fort Ridgley. Apply to

52w3 MOULTON & WELCH.

Taken Up

By the subscriber about the last of October in the town of Verona Faribault County, 2 Calves one red mooley, the other red with line back. Also one two-year-old HEIFER, with one lop horn. The owner is requested to come, prove property pay charges and take them away.

3w3 MITCHEL BURSEL.

Farmers of the Blue-Earth valley

when you come to Mankato, stop at

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Where you can find every variety of

Dry Goods,

Hardware,

Groceries

BOOTS & SHOES.

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WITH ALL THE LATEST STYLES OF READY MADE

CLOTHING!

And in fact everything you will be likely to want, and at PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

Try us when you come to town. If we can't suit you when you call on us, that will be our fault. If you, when you come to town, do not give us a chance to suit you that is your OSS.

GIVE HIM A TRIAL

Mankato, March 16, 1864. 21y1

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Drugs,

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We have also a splendid assortment of

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Mankato, Minn. 21y1

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TIN, COPPER AND

Sheet Iron Ware

As Cheap as the Cheapest!

The undersigned would improve the opportunity now offered to acknowledge the favors heretofore received and would respectfully say to his old patrons and all others that he is now receiving a new supply of

STOVES & STOCK

in his line, and will be better prepared than heretofore to supply them with a variety of

TIN, COPPER

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R. E. ABBOTT.

Winnebago City, Oct. 28, 1863.

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JAS. L. CHRISTIE,
dealer in
LAND WARRANTS
—o—
Will also pay Taxes, examine Titles, &c., for non-residents. Office one door South of U. S. Land Office.

Winnebago City, Faribault Co., Minn.

☞ We learn that it is necessary for one or more of the Board of Supervisors of each town to meet the examining board at St. Peter to certify to the fact of non-residents who were enrolled last summer in their town, and have since removed from the town, and also those who were improperly enrolled, the present enrolling officer having no authority to strike their names from the list. Therefore, unless it is attended to by the authorities of the town, their names will remain on the rolls, and they be drafted accordingly. Each board of Supervisors will be furnished with a copy of the enrollment. By that they can see what corrections are necessary, and act accordingly.

☞ The town of Verona is now paying $400 bounty to be paid in town Bonds drawing 12 per cent. interest, for recruits enough to fill their quota for the present call of 300,000 men.—Fall in, boys, and fill up their quota, you can't make money easier. If we were situated so that we could, we would like to take one of these bonds ourselves. Roll up, now is the time, Verona against the world!

☞ We have the honor of placing upon our exchange list the "Prairie Gem," a new paper edited and published semi-monthly by the students of the Winnebago Seminary. We have received but one number of this paper, and give it credit of being one of the ablest papers of its class in the State. We hope to have the pleasure of perusing each edition. We cordially extend to it our ☞

☞ See notice of meeting of Board of Town Supervisors. All having claims against this town will do well to be on hand on that day, and get their bills allowed, so that they may get their orders e're the tax collector calls round.

☞ Persons in want of tin ware, stoves, &c., can procure any article of this character at the tin shop of R. E. Abbott one door north of the Hotel in this place. Mr. Abbott is a tip top workman, and sells at reasonable prices. Give him a call.

☞ Go to R. B. Johnson's if you want a good pair of boot or shoes.—Johnson knows how to make these articles just a little better than any other man in this State. You can always find him at his shop in the second story of Moulton's ware house.

☞ By request we give the article entitled "War" from the 'Prairie Gem.' a place in our columns. The article is rather strongly tinctured with Copper, and as we do not feel at liberty to comment upon it, should not have published it had we not been requested to do so. The GEM, however, proposes to give it an airing in its next, and has promised to furnish us with its reply.

☞ The lodge of Good Templers in this place is flourishing finely. The lodge had open doors on Saturday evening last, when the Rev. Mr. McGee delivered a temperance lecture. The Elder waded into the whiskey manafacturer, seller and consumer, rough shod and without gloves. There is a fine chance for a reformation in this place, and we hope the lodge will accomplish its object. We wish it success, to say the least.

☞ If you want to get "fits" go to J. S. Perry, tailor, he will give them to you every time. Mr. Perry is a first rate tailor, and may be found at any time at his rooms in the second story of Moulton's ware house. Give him a call, all you who want clothes well cut and well made.

☞ Our townsman, A. C. Dunn Esq., has got his old berth in the Legislature, that of Chief Clerk of the House. This is a good appointment. Good enough for him, learn him to take a joke.

☞ In another column may be found the "Prairie Gem's" New Year's Address. This is the best address we have yet seen, and is the production of a very young lady who is attending school in this place.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Attention!

All persons indebted to H. Hoyt for the service of his stallion, "Red Lion," prior to the year 1864 are requested to make immediate settlement and thereby save cost. I will give until the 7th day of September for these bills to be settled, those delinquent at that time will be prosecuted according to law. Settlement can be made with Mr. F. Harlow; at Moulton & Welchs store, he being duly authorized by me to receive money and receipt the same.

Dated Aug. 17th, 1864. H. HOYT.

MATRIMONIAL.—If you wish to marry, address the undersigned, who will send you, "without money and without price," valuable information that will enable you to marry happy and speedily, no matter how old how ugly or how poor. The information will cost you nothing; and if you wish to marry, I will cheerfully assist you. All letters strictly confidential. The desired information sent by return mail, and no questions asked.

Address SARAH B. LAMBERT.
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By using that Safe, Pleasant, Popular, and Specific Remedy known as
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Read the advertisement in another column and profit by it— Diseases and symptoms Enumerated. Cut it out and preserve it. You may not now require it But may at some future day.

"It gives health and vigor to the frame,
And bloom to the pallid cheek."
It Saves Long Suffering and Exposure.
Beware of Counterfeits.
1m Cures Guaranteed.

For Sale At A
BARGAIN!

The subscriber offers for sale at his farm in Verona, a the lot of young **BLOODED STOCK** As he is about selling off his stock, all those wishing a good bargain should come and see it at once. Verona, Aug. 20th 1864.
4tif A. B. BALCOM.

NOTICE!

To the School District Clerks of the 3d Commissioner District; Faribault County.

You are hereby notified that I shall conduct a public examination of the teachers of the Third Commissioner District, said District comprising the towns of Winnebago City, Guthrie, Lura, Margles and Dunbar: at Moulton' & Welche's Hall in the town of Winnebago City, in said district on Saturday, the 29th day of October 1864, between the hours of one and four o'clock P. M. of said day.

J. H. WELCH,
49w4 Examiner of Common Schools.

Read This!

C. C. McMANUS

has opened his Photograph and Ambrotype Gallery at Moulton's Hall, and is now prepared to take all kinds of Ambrotypes, Photographs, and Melaneotypes, in the most beautiful and finished style of the art, and at greatly reduced prices. Particular pains taken with children. All work done by me warranted to give satisfaction. All are invited to call and see for themselves. Pictures taken in all kinds of weather. I will be in town three weeks only. 5w3

February & March.

HOSTETTER'S CELEBRATED STOMACH BITTERS is one of the greatest strengthening preparations extant. It is especially adapted to those who are affected with the Fever and Ague, or any other disease arising from a disordered condition of the digestive organs. For the Fever and Ague there is perhaps no medicine in the world equal to it, as it enters, purifies and replenishes the blood, which is so important to bring about a healthy action in diseases of this nature The Bitters are now among the most popular, and at the same time, valuable specifics in the medical world. In recommending it to the public, we are full conscious of doing them a great service, knowing, as we do, their many excellent qualities, and sure and speedy action in all case where the disease is caused by irregularity of the digestive organs. A trial will suffice for the most skeptical. ☞ See advertisement.

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TAKEN UP

By the subscriber, in the town of Guthrie, one two year old Heifer: mostly white, dark sides, one eye blind, and right hind leg lame. The owner is requested to come approve reperty, pay charges and take it away.

7w3 BENDT JOHNSON

$10 REWARD!

A small box directed to Mrs. E. ESPY, Mankato, Express-ed from St. Jo. Mo., was lost from the Blue Earth Valley stage about ten days since between Garden City and Mankato. I will pay the above reward for the recovery of the same.

A. D. MASON.

Taken Up

By the Subscriber on Saturday the 29th day of October about one mile South of Winnebago City Four HOGS, three of which are entirely white, the other spotted, black and white; wi l weigh near 100 pounds each and are about six months old. The owner is requested to come and prove property, pay dharges and take them away.

D. T. RING.

Sheep for Sale!

I have for sale 120 selected grade Merino Sheep one half Ewes, and a few choice Merino Bucks The flock is all young, in first rate condition, and acclimated. They can be seen at the farm of the subscriber on the Vernon road three miles North of Shelbyville. Also for sale 20 acres of TIMBER in Sec. 5 Shelby Township.

v2n1w3 E. P. CHILD.

Taken Up

By the subscriber, in June last, in the town of Guthrie one light Red HEIFER between two and three years old. The owner is requested to come and prove property, pay charges and take it away.

v2n1w3 HELVOR LARSON.

Taken Up.

By the subscriber, in the town of Guthrie Faribault County, about the middle of May last, one white yearling STEER. The owner is requested to come and prove property pay charges and take it away.

3w3 THOMAS BLAIR.

Strayed

From the Subscriber a good-sized yearling HEIFER, color, bright red. Any one giving information where she may be found will be suitably rewarded.

4tf. J. H. WELCH.
Dated Winnebago City, Nov. 23d, 1864.

Taken Up

By the subscriber, in the town of Verona, about the last of July, one two year old steer, light red with spotted face, about half the tail white. The owner is requested to come and prove property, pay charges and take it away.

w3 Wm. A. GREENMAN.

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Our Goods of all kinds have been carefully selected in the Eastern Market, and need but to be seen to be appreciated by good judges! The Ladies will please remember that it is a particular pleasure for us to show our goods They will all oearinsbection either as to QUALITY or as to PRICE.

GIVE US A CALL!

Winnebago City, Minn., Oct. 26, 1863.

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Ever imported into Faribault County,

Which they are selling to the People of the Blue Earth Valley cheaper than Mankato or any other man.

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Pay Cash for Wheat, Oats, Corn. Pork, Hides, Butter and Eggs.

RICHARDSON & DEUDON.
Winnebago City, Nov. 7, 1863. 2tf

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CELEBRATED
STOMACH BITTERS.

A pure and powerful tonic, corrective of wonderful efficacy in disease of the

Stomach, Liver and Bowels.

Cures Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Headache, General Debility, Nervousness, Depression of Spirit, Constipation, Colic, Intermittent Fevers Cramps and Spasms, and all Complaints of either sex, arising from Bodily Weakness, whether in the system or produced by special causes.

Nothing that is not wholesome, genial and restorative in its nature enters not into the composition of HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS. This popular preparation contains no mineral of any kind, no deadly botanical element; no drey exciment; but it is a combination of the extracts of rare balsamic herbs and plants with the purest and mildest of all diffusive climents.

It is well to be forearmed against disease, and so far as the human system can be protected by human means against maladies engendered by an unwholesome atmosphere, impure water, and other external causes, HOSTETTERS BITTERS may be relied on as a safeguard.

In districts infested with Fever and Ague, it has been found infallible as a preventive and irresistible as a remedy and thousands who resort to it under apprehension of an attack, escape the scourge; and thousands who neglect to avail themselves of its protective qualities in advance, are cured by a very brief course of this marvelous medicine. Fever and ague patients, after being plied with quinine for months in vain, until fairly saturated with that dangerous alkaloid, are not unfrequently restored to health within a few days by the use of

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Many are aware of the causes of their suffering.

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Take no more Balsam, Mercury, or Unpleasant Medicines for unpleasant and dangerous diseases.

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Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the person applying for the benefit of this act shall, upon application to the register of the land office in which he or she is about to make such entry, make affidavit before the said register or receiver that he or she is the head of a family, or is twenty-one or more years of age, or shall have performed service in the army or navy of the United States, and that he has never borne arms against the Government of the United States or given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that such application is made for his or her exclusive use and benefit, and that said entry is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; and upon filing the said affidavit with the register or receiver, and on payment of ten dollars, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to enter the quantity of land specified: Provided however, That no certificate shall be given or patent issue therefore until the expiration of five years from the date of such entry; and if, at the expiration of such time, or at any time within two years thereafter the person making such entry,—or if he be dead, his widow; or in case of her death—shall prove by two credible witnesses that he, she, or they have resided upon or cultivated the same for the term of five years immediately succeeding the time of filing the affidavit aforesaid, and shall make affidavit that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to the Government of the United States; then, in such case he, she, or they, if at that time a citizen of the United States, shall be entitled to a patent, as in other cases provided for by law; And provided, further, That in case of the death of both father and mother, leaving an infant child, or children under twenty-one years of age the right and fee shall enure to the benefit of said infant child or children; and the executor, administrator, or guardian may, at any time within two years after the death of the surviving parent and in accordance with the laws of the State in which such children for the time being have their domicil, sell said land for the benefit of said infants, but for no other purpose; and the purchaser shall acquire the absolute title by the purchase, and be entitled to a patent from the United States on payment of the office fees and sum of money herein specified.

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Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That if, at any time after the filing of the affidavit, as required in the second section of this act, and before the expiration of the five years aforesaid, it shall be proven, after due notice to the settler, to the satisfaction of the register of the land office, that the person having filed such affidavit shall have actually changed his or her residence, or abandoned the said land for more than six months at any time, then and in that event the land so entered shall revert to the government.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That no individual shall be permitted to acquire title to more than one quarter section under the provisions of this act; and that the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby required to prepare and issue such rules and regulations, consistent with this act, as shall be necessary and proper to carry its provisions into effect; and that the registers and receivers of the several land offices shall be entitled to receive the same compensation for any lands entered under the provisions of this act that they are now entitled to receive when the same quantity of land is entered with money, one half to be paid by the person making the application at the time of so doing, and the other half on the issue of the certificate by the person, to whom it may be issued; but this shall not be construed to enlarge the maximum of compensation now prescribed by law for any register or receiver: Provided, That nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to impair or interfere in any manner whatever with existing pre-emption rights: And provided, further, That all persons who may have filed their applications for a preemption right prior to the passage of this act shall be entitled to all the privileges of this act: Provided, further, That no person who has served, or may hereafter serve, for a period of not less than fourteen days in the army or navy of the United states, either regular or volunteer, under the laws thereof, during the existence of an actual war, domestic or foreign, shall be deprived of the benefits of this act on account of not having attained the age of twenty one years.

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GALUSHA A. GROW,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
S. FOOT,
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Approved, May 20, 1862.
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
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Amendment of The Homestead law.

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Cost of an Imperial Chilblain

In the reign of Catherine I, a chilblain had the impertinence to attack the Czarina's big toe. She wisely thought that tallow applied to it would ease her pains. No tallow candle could be found in the palace. A domestic was dispatched to the nearest tallow-chandler for the purchase of the desired specific. The chilblain resisted for a fortnight and then disappeared. Fifteen tallow candles had been used. One December day while the Czar Nicholas was examining some accounts, he found the item '365 tallow candles, supplied his magesty." He had never seen a tallow candle in his life, and summoned his aid-de camp to know what this charge meant. The aid de camp was as ignorant as his Imperial master, but he thought the Chamberlain must know. The Chamberlain was sent for; he shook his head as emptily as the other, and suggested that the Perfect of the Palace must be able to tell all about it. The Perfect of the Palace appeared, but could give no further information than this: the Master of Ceremonies must know. The Master of Ceremonies sidled in, and said the tallow candle was news to him, but may be the Deputy Master of Ceremonies knew all about it. The Deputy Master of Ceremonies was summoned, but tallow candle though it was in question, could throw no light on the subject except to suggest the Equerry as likely to be well informed. The Equerry made his appearance, but not a word could he say which had any connection with the subject, except to the Master of the Hounds as in possession of the desired information. The Master of the Hounds came, but was dumb as all the others, until the thought occurred to him that the Gold Stick in Waiting could talk pertinently about the 365 tallow candles. Gold Stick entered, and the utmost which he knew on the subject was, that Silver Stick-in-Writing was familiar with the matter. Silver Stick came to shake his head negatively and to refer them to the groom of the Stole (whose name, indeed indicated that he ought certainly to have been sent for in the first instance.) Groom of the Stole was ushered in, and he said that on the night when a chilblain attacked Czarina Catherine I, his great-great great, great great-great grandfather was of service and sent out the servant to buy this tollow candle, and that ever since that day it had been of tradition to charge the Czar nightly with one tallow candle, which money the aforesaid tradition put into the famity's pocket. The Czar Nicholas made a branch in this tradition, but not before some statitician had reckoned that the chilblain of the Czarina had cost Russia $163,500.

The Mechanic.

Of all the component parts that make up the many-hued associations of life, commonly called society, there is no one who bears so quiet yet so important a part as the mechanic. His course is unmarked by the pomp and parade of artificial importance, his march is silent, but onward and certain. He passes amid the throng of human beings, and attracts to himself in person but little attention. But look abroad, and see, if you may not elsewhere read, what the hand of his influence has written. Mark in the gay pyramids of Egypt what he has done, and learn that his name is immortal. Look on the century stained walls of the old Collisium, and remember what he has achieved. Scan with admiring eye the huge Leviathans of the deep, that float so proudly on the waters, braving the fury of the storm, and breasting triumphantly its wild upheaving, and there remember is the handi work of the humble mechanic. View then you demon of the earth, which with firely breath and heavy tread spees over vale and mountain, and recollect that in the grasp of the mechanic is his strength subdued. And yet he who has so advanced the cause of science, so ennobled humanity itself, is passed carelessly by and regarded by many as the bottommost rounds in the ladder of life. But not thus is he destined to linger in the obscurity of position, or in the neglect of poverty. His importance in the true estimate of his life is being gradually appreciated, and already have high honors clustered around his manly, open brow. His profession in this age of practical utility is moving upwards and taking equal rank with the higher callings. Our democratic institutions are favorable to his ascendant progress, and all things are working together for the elivation of the mechanic to his proper standard.

Hanging of Judge Denny.

Huntsville, Mo, is the place near which Bill Anderson, several weeks ago went to the house of Judge Denny, the father of Colonel A. J. Denny commanding this post, and hung him up to his own gate-post three times in succession, besides horse-whipping him unmercifully, under pretense that the old man refused to tell where he had his money. The Judge is seventy two years old, and infirm, but the frosts of age are no shield against the cruelty of the modern chivalry. During the brutalities that were being inflicted on Judge D., his pet grand-daughter, a little girl five years old, went up to the fiends and entreated them to spare him, but they cocked their pistols on her and threatened to shoot her if she did not go to the ho'se. In this deed Bill Anderson was joined by his brother Jim, who yet lives, and is practicing his bloody deeds in Missouri. That Judge Denny survived the cruelties inflicted udon him is a miracle. The third time he was hung he lost his outward canscious-ness, though strangling, and supposed he was dying. He describes the sensation he experienced after the agony of strangling was over, as exceedingly pleasant, and similar to these of a sweet dream. The first sensation he experienced when he recovered was that of being brutally kicked by the ruffians who had hung him and cut him down, and who, after ordering him to get up and run, gave him a few parting blows with a cart-whip and left him nearly dead.

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The Two Travelers.

Some years ago two gentlemen and a lady had taken their places in the diligence from Paris to Havre. One of the gentlemen, Mallaquet, a merchant of the capital, as indolent in mind as in body, slept profoundly from the commencement; the other, M. Lusac, a commercial traveler, a person of veep animated character, did not allow his tongue to rest a single instant. Among other things which he mentioned, he let it escape that he had on him fifteen thousand francis in bank bills, and that the greater part of the sum was intended for the purchase of colonial productions, and the rest as a present for his life.

M. Malquet, on the contrary, during the rare intervals when he was sufficiently awake to speak, said simply he was going to Havre.

The diligence arived at Pontias' where the horses were changed. As the road from that point ascends, the conductor proposed to the travelers, that they should walk up the hill. Lusac embraced the proposal with pleasure, and Mallquet, from politeness, affected to be not less delighted, though in fact he had no desire to put his legs in motion.

They both started up the hill, then, and the diligence followed behind them.

Soon darkness came on. But the diligence continued to roll on behind them. At the end of some time they both remarked that they had strayed from the right road. They wished to return thereto, but the sound of the wheels no longer reached them. The indolent Mallaquet grew afraid. Muttering a few oaths he began to march at a more rapid rate, and this sudden change gave birth in the soul of Mr. Lussac to a sombre presentiment. Remembering his imprudent avowal about the fifteen thousand francs which he had with him the most lugubrious ideas agitated his mind. He asked himself in terror whether this suspected companion had not plotted with the conductor to rob him in a solitary place. Perhaps he also thought another accomplice might be larking in some spot near, ready to pounce on him. In truth poor Lussac deemed himself a lost man and determined, therefore, to be on his guard.

With regard to Mallaquet, when he saw Lussac become suddenly silent, he at once conceived similar suspicions to those of his companion. He had not it is true, like Lussac, been guilty of an indiscretion endangering his own intrests, but his pockets were filled with important papers, and the avowal of his companion only as an adroit trick to inspire him with confidence. Keeping at as great a distance as possible from each other, the two travelers watched each others movements. At last a marsh coming in the way forced them into immediate contact on a narrow path. Their alarm and mistrast went on increasing. Mallaquet raised his head to wipe his brow, baithed with perspiration. Lussac then stopped, thinking he saw in his companion's hand an instrument of murder. However, to brace his courage a little, he likewise raised his hand to take a pinch of snuff. Mallaquet stooped down to the ground to avoid the expected pistol shot.

After sometime passed in the anguish of these mutual suspicions, Lussac determined to give utterance to his dread in words.

"We must," said he, "be thoroughly on our guard here, It is the very demon himself who has thrown us thus on the high road in the middle of the night. Fortunately if we meet with any misfortune of attack there is nothing to be found on mebut empty pockets'

"Indeed," replied Mallaquet, "you surely forgot the fiftee thousand francs which you have with you.

"Oh! that was all nonsense," cried Lussac," my words on that point were the merest wind; of cotrse I was only joking.,'

This speech dip not fail to increase the terror of Mallaquet.

"Well, whatever happens," he said after a few moment's hesitation, "I am determined not to yield until I have fired my pistol as often as I can."

"Pistol!" exclaimed Lussac; "but do you not know that it is forbidden to carry arms?"

"Forbidden do you say?" continued Mallaquet assuming an air of great courage; "there arh resolute fellows however, who do not much regard—who in fact, laugh at—such prohibitions."

This conversartion was interrupted by the trot of a horse; the rider was a postillion, who told our travelers that they had gone astray, and that they had atleast the walk of two hours to the nearest posting station. Both, more alarmed than ever, sought relief in furious oaths.

Presently a carriage passed; Mallaquet and Lussac rushed towards it. Lussac wanted to get up behind, but the coachman struck him so severely with his whip that he was forced to let go his holt. Behold our travvelleos then dragging their weary limbs along the high road.

A light gleamed in the distance. Our travellers, drowned in perspiration and crushed by fatigue, marched toward the spot where the light was shining. It was a village; every body had gone to bed, but they at last succeeded in discovering an inn.

Fresh mishap! All the rooms were occupied; but the landlord yielding after a while to their passionate requests, gave them the room which he had reserved for himself. Hungry and weary, however, the two companions felt the irresistible need for some food. The delay caused by the repast was marked by an absolute silence; and in nearly the same silence, Mallaquet and Lussac prepared with their exhausted rframes to taste the sweets of repose.

"The moment I am in bed," thought Mallaquet "I shall pretend to be asleep. I shall even snore with great emphasis if needful, but I shall keep myself alert for what ever may occur."

As for Lussac, after having slipped his portfolio under his pillow, wished his companion good night, and blown out the light, he placed himself as closily in the bed as he could, but kept his eyes fixed in the darkness on the corner of the rooms where the brigand was.

Two hours passed away, marked by the most complete immobillity on both sides. The first feeble light of the dawn was begining to peep through when Lussac preceived his neighbor rising with precaution, and approaching his own bed on tip toe. Mallaquet then stooped down over M. Lussac's face. M, Lussac's heart beart like a steam engine. Fortunately, however he had his knife opened and ready under the bed clothes. He asked himself whether he ought not to be beforehand with the assassin. But a little cowardice and the excess of his emotion forced him to wait, without stirring the developement of events. Mallaquet again gathered some assurance from the air of tranquility which he, who deemed himself a victim, simulated. He went back to bed with contented heart. And the result was, that neither of the travelers having slept, but neither of them also having suffered any greater harm than a good fright set out in the course of the morning arm-in-arm for Rouen, became intimate friends, and ended by forming a commercial partnership. The house of Mallaquet & Co. still prospers in Paris, and each of the partners amuse himself with telling the singular circumstances which led to their business relatons. It is never however, without emoton that Mrlaquet hears Lusac speaking of the moment when the knife was kept ready under the bed clothes for a fatal stab.

The most painful part of our bodily pain is that which is bodiless or immaterial—namely, our impatience, and the delusion that will last forever.

There are some people who live without any design at all, and pass through the world like straws on a river—they do not go; but are carried.

THE HOMESTEAD

WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

JAN. 13. 1865.

H. W. HOLLEY - - - - - - - - Editor.

The Senatorial Contest.

The FREE HOMESTEAD has its theory concerning the late Senatorial canvass at St. Paul. which has resulted in the election of Daniel S. Norton, and for the amusement of its readers, we print it.

Firstly, Senator Wilkinson, the most prominent candidate, was the target of all the opposing candidates. While at first they could not well agree upon his successor, they could agree in their cordial desire to beat him. The positive strength of the opposing candidates stood really about like this:

Wilkinson,	20
Swift,	8
Windom,	9
Between Norton and Rice,	12

which shows a majority against Wilkinson in first choice, of nine. To unite this force was, of course, the labor of the opposition to Wilkinson.

To a looker on, disregardless of the ill-blood got up by the different strategic movements, the means by which this was done were really amusing.

Firstly came the pious opposition! Their main hold was abuse of Wilkinson on the moral basis. In theory they were undoubtedly right, but in practice undoubtedly wrong, as for instance in engaging Capt Fisk to get a Wilkinson member drunk, so as to give the moral basis men a better show in the caucus. After all was over we are happy to say that the moral basis men did not try to justify this attempt which, by the way, did not succeed.

Secondly came the St. Peter opposition, represented by Swift. The basis of this opposition was, that Wilkinson had introduced into the Senate a Joint Resolution permitting the Transit Rail Road Company to build their line via Mankato or St. Peter, as they may hereafter choose. As this resolution was construed to be an attack upon the future prospects of St. Peter, Swift's force was of course solid against Wilkinson.

Thirdly came the friends of Windom. The basis of their opposition as near as we could learn was their belief that Windom had a sure chance for the nomination himself. This belief was strengthened, no doubt, by the fact that they had an insurance agent for manager, who was positive in his assurances that Windom would scoop the crowd. We don't know but that his political policy is still at a premium in that crowd, but judging from Tommy Simpson's face when Dan. Norton was nominated, we think not.

Fourthly came the Rice force. The basis of their opposition to Wilkinson was disatisfaction in his disposal of patronage. From what we heard we have no doubt that had Wilkinson three years ago made that ragged second hand edition of Falstaff, viz: Pierson, Minister to Russia, said billy goat would have perfumed the air a great deal less during this contest with his vindictive mouthings. And lastly came Norton with but few votes, but with untiring energy and a deal of good strategy. None of the candidates considered him a formidable competitor, and probably of all the candidates proposed, his chances were considered the least. Taking hold of these various elements opposed to Wilkinson, and moulding them to his will, he finally united them all on himself and won.

What a convincing proof of the old adage, that politics make strange bedfellows, was exhibited when Aldrich and Windom, Judge Wilson and Tommy Simpson, Chas. Nichols and the Press office, most of whom for the last nine years have been pursuing Dan Norton with malicious vindictiveness, form a Holy alliance and unite to make him Senator. If Dan does not remember all these "independant personal" friends, he is an ungrateful "cuss" and has no sound moral basis. We believe his election by them insures him hereafter recognition as a Republican, hitherto denied him by the Press gang, as also, an invitation from the State Central Committee to make speeches for our side during the next campaign, both of which courtesies have hitherto been denied him by the orthodox Jehu's who have been driving the Republican go-cart in Minnesota.

We did honestly think, that justice to an able man who had always voted and spoken right in the Senate during his term. required the re-election of Mr Wilkinson, but since the causes we have mentioned were to beat him, we are thankful that the yelping hounds upon his track have inadvertently elected the very man they did not want. They may slobber over him and toady him as much as they please, and as they certainly will. from this time onward, but the lion's tail is the index of his mind, and by the same token know we by Tommy Simpson's and Tommy Wilson's, and several other faces. that for them assofedata is luscious eating compared with their pretended satisfaction over the election of Dan Norton. That he will, despite of them. however, make a good Senator, we have not the least doubt.

COMMUNICATION.

We, Joseph Mixter, W. C. Persons, and James S. Cornish, Supervisors, and W. G. Rice Town Clerk. in behalf of the Citizens of the Town of Nevada, County of Martin, State of Minnesote, who feel highly incensed by the conduct of Deputy Provost Marshal James B. Wakefield, concerning the enrollment of our Town-ship, and feeling it our duty to lay a few facts before the public, we respectfully ask of the editor of the Homestead to give them a place.

According to the enrollment of our Town-ship in May 1864, there was over forty names put upon the roll that should never have been put there, men of seventy-five and upwards' and men with wooden legs, cripples of all kinds were enrolled. Our Town had no instructions faom the Provost Marshal or his Deputy concerning those enrolled going before the board at Rochester to be exempted, those whose names stood upon the roll were ignorent of their duty until it was too late. Our credits were not properly given, consequently we had to furnish an unjust quota of able bodied men on an enrollment of cripples and blind men, and men over age, one of the pusilanimous bipeds who assisted in making said enrollment calling himself a Republican was base enough to come into our Town before the last election and electioneer for would be Judge Buck Although we consider the above enrollment unjust we could pass them by in silence were it not for the treatment received more recently. As the proper authorities are endeavoring to correct the enrollment and form a just basis for the next draft our Township greatly needing such correcting of its enrollment as would place it on a fair footing, receives the attention of the deputy Marshal in the following manner.

He appoints a man whose given names we will not stop to enumerate, but simply call him Robertson, who came to our township for the purpose of correcting the enrollment. He called at the residence of Joseph Mixter, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, who was not at home, he requested a neighbor to tell Mr. Mixter to meet him the same evening at the Clerks office, to correct the enrollment. Mr. M. came home at noon and started for the town clerks office a distance of fourteen miles and got there at the time appointed, but he had left, knowing no more about the enrollment of our town than he did when he came into it. Had he done his duty the enrollment might have been corrected, or something done in that direction. One of the neighbors went to Blue Earth to examine the roll made out by the said Robertson, and to take a correct roll to the deputy Marshal. Upon examining the enrollment of our town made out by said Robertson, he had made it many times worse, instead of correcting it he returned ninety men on the roll and we have but twenty-seven men subject to draft in our town if the roll was corrected, instead of erasing any of our numerous cripples, he added names of men who do not live in our township, nor never did. If he did not come here to correct the roll and had no intention of doing do, why come here at all? How long are we to be thus imposed upon by such unprincipled men? Our township is poor, and situated on the border and being distant from the places appointed for the meeting of the Board, it is impossible to get all to go to St. Peter on the 17th, that should be stricken from the roll, as many of their families would suffer in their absence at this season of the year.

Had this officer done his duty in correcting the roll of our township, it wou'd have saved our township some three hundred dollars expense for sending men to St. Peter on the 17th to be exempted. All we ask is a fair shake, and then if the last man is called to front, there will be no complaining. Our town has furnished 19 volunteers, and 11 drafted men, making 30 men in all. We intend to stand by "Old Abe" and the Union. We gave him our hearty support in his re election without a dissenting voice. We have no objections to the draft, would recommend that one million men be called into the field for a term of six months and put an end to the rebellion at once. All we ask is a just enrollment that we may furnish our share and no more.

Such enrolling officers as Robertson should be laid under the table, such unprincipled bipeds should never be found in the employment of the public, or any business wherein the public is interested.

JOSEPH MIXTER,
W. C. PERSONS,
J. S. CORNISH,
W. G. RICE.

The Union Men of North Carolina.

Captain Albert Grant, of the 19th Wisconsin, gives the Cincinnatti Commercial some highly interesting particulars of his escape from a rebbel prison at Columbia and of the assistance randered him by Union men in North Carolina:

From Savannah, Capt. Grant was sent to Columbia, where he made his escape, walking, he believs, nearly six hundred miles by very circutous paths of course, and coming out in East Tennessee.

The most remarkable of his observations relates to the numbers and spirit of the Union men of North Carolina. When he had been out twenty days and had just crossed the line between North and South Carolina, he was startled about the middle of night a hearing voices in the middle of the road, and approaching Stepping aside and listening closely, he was re-assured by the discovery that one of the voices was that of a negro, and supposed, of course, the other was a negro also. He called them, and inquired the road to a town not far distant, which was in the direction he wished to go. A white man's voice replied;

"Men of your stamp don't want to go to that town—you must flank it."

"What do you mean by men of my stamp?" was the response.

"Why" said the Carolinian, "I mean that you don't want to go there, that,s all; but you must flank it."

"But what do you suspect me of being?" Capt. Grant enquired.

"You are a Yankee," replied the Carolinian; "if you go there you will be made a prisoner."

"And if I am a Yankee," said the captain, "and wanted to flank the town, is there anybody about here who could show me how to do it?—is there such a man?"

"That I be," was the reply, and the Carolinian parted from his negro companion, who turned out to be a woman, and took Captain Grant to his house, and called his wife up and had her get supper for the stranger. Captain Grant had been for months in rebel prisons, and fared hard, and for twenty days had been sleeping by day in hiding places, and crawling weary and sore footed, on his way by night living on raw corn. The supper at the hospitible Carolinian's he says was the best he ever tasted. There were hot wheat cakes and cold chicken and preserves, and everything was pressibly good.

Here Captain Grant got his insight of the faithfulness, earnestness and hopefulness of the real Union party in North Carolina. His host told him how and whare to find Union men, and marked out the most favorable roads to take, giving him many directions, all of which were proven to have been given in good faith. The mountains of Western North Carolinia were found swarming with Union men, refugees from the rebel conscription. Many of them live in caves, venture out to see their families at night, and altogether lead a very wild and strange life. They were not alarmed at the idea of entering the army because they feared to encounter the dangers of war but they had a horor of fighting against their country and the old flag, and would undergo perils and privations, and die rather than to do it. Captain Grant found one place a den in the woods, ingeniously constructed, in which fifteen of those men lived. When he reached these frendly people he was in a pitiable plight, his clothes being nearly all torn off, and his boots wore until they had ceased to afford any protection to his feet. The Union fugitives harboring in one of the huts in the woods where he found shelter, mended his boots so that they were made quite serviceble. It is the opinion of Captain Grant, that there are from six to ten thousand Union men avoiding repel conscription in Western North Carolinia, and that the Union feeling there is as general and positive as it ever was in East Tennessee. He actually raised a company, nearly one hundred strong, of the Carolinia refuges and brought them into East Tennessee, where they narrowly escaped being made prisoners by Breckinridge, and he left his company in the woods and proceeded to Knoxville with one of them selected to be an officer, who received a lieutenants commisson, and returned to the men to complete the organization, It is the number and zeal of the Union men in North Carolinia that enables so many of our escaped prisoners to make their way to our lines in East Tennessee.

Indian Difficulties.

Julesburg, Colorado, Jan. 9.

On Saturday morning a party of 60 Indians attacked the overland mail express coach three miles east of here and robbed the mail and express, and also attacked a mule train close by, killing one man and wounding another. The troops at the military post here. numbering from 50 to 80, immediately started to the relief of the white settlers in the immediate vicinity, and drove the Indians to the bluffs, a mile back, where the Indians were reinforced to the number of 1,500. They, in turn, drove the troops back to the post. The Indians then entered the stage station in large numbers, and after destroying all the furniture and breaking all the windows in the buildings, set them on fire. They also destroyed a large amount of telegraph material. A well directed fire of musketry from the troops at the post, soon drove them from the station, In the running fight on retreat of our troops. 35 Indians were killed. including the principal chief. Nineteen soldiers and citizens were killed. A general massacre and destruction of whites was only prevented by the perseverence and bravery of our troops, and an efficient artillery fight. The Indians retired in a southerly direction. This is by far the most determined incursion made by the Indians.

FORTUNATE COMBINATION.—We are opposed proprietary medicines, and it is with some compunction we see advertisements of them in our columns. Still we must confess that Brown,s Troches are convenient and useful in certain conditions of the throat and larynx before speaking.—N. Y. Christian Advocate.

NEW GOODS.

Just received, a new and complete assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, consisting in part, of

Dry Goods and GROCERIES.

J. M. THOMPSON.

GARDEN CITY, MINN.,

WOULD respectfully announce to the people of Faribault and Blue Earth counties, that he has just received a large assortment of Goods for

FALL & WINTER!

SUCH AS—

Prints, Shawls.
De Laines, Boots & Shoes,
Denims, wool Yarn,
Brown Sheeting. Cod Fish.
Bleach'd Sheet'g, Mackerel,
Cassimeres, White Fish.
Satinetts, Dried Apple,

KENTUCKY JEANS,
STRIPES
DRIED PEACHES
CANDLE WICKING

HATS & CAPS.

And in fact everything kept in a WELL FILLED country store, all of which will be sold as cheap as

Can be bought in the State.

The highest CASH prices will be paid for

Wheat & Furs!

Remember the place—
NEXT DOOR SOUTH THE HOTEL

Is It Possible That Any Soldier can be so foolish as to leave the city without a supply of HOLLOWAY'S OINTNENT AND PILLS? Whoever does so will deeply regret it. These medicines are the only certain cures for Bowel Complaints, Fevers, Sores, and Scurvy.

If the reader of this notice cannot got a box of Pills or Ointment from the drug store in his place let him write to me 80 Maiden Lane. enclosing ohe amount and I will mail a box free of expense. Many dealers will not keep my medicines on hand because they cannot make much profit as on others make, 35 cents 88 cents and $1,40 per box or pot.

TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the whole amount of tax levyed on the dollar valuation in Martin county Minn., for the year 1864, is as follows, to wit.—

For State interest	2 mills
" " revenue,	3½ "
" County,	10 "
" " War Tax,	6 "
" " bridge tax,	8 "
" Town of Waverly,	4 cen's
" " Fairmount,	4 mills
" " Nevada,	3 "
" School,	2 "
" " District No. 1	15 "
" " " " 2	8 "
" " " " 4	4 "
" " " " 5	8 "
" " " " 7	14 "

Also that I will be at the usual places of holding Elections in the several townships for the purpose of receiving taxes on the following days to wit.

In Waverly, Thursday 12th of January, 1865.
In Nashville Tuesday, 10th " "
In Nevada, Wednesday, 18th " "
In Fairmount, Tuesday, 24th " "
Fairmount Dec 20th 1864.

AARON SMITH
Treasurer of Martin county Minn.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners on the estate of Richard Chatfield deceased, of East Chain Lake. Minn. will meet at the office of the Hon. Judge of Probate, at Chain Lake Centre on Wednesday, January 25th, 1865, at nine o'clock a. m., to adjust and allow claims for and against said estate.

J. C. STRONG,
Chairman of Board of Commissioners

U.S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that subscriptions will be received for Cupon Treasury Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864, semi-annual interest at the rate of seven and three-tenths per cent. per annum,—principal and interest both to be paid in lawful money.

These notes will be covertable at the option of the holder at maturity, into six per cent. gold bearing bonds, payable not less than five nor more than twenty years from their date, as the Government may elect. They will be issued in denominations of $50, $100, $500, $1,000 and $5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty dollars or some multiple of fifty dollars.

As the notes draw interest from August 15, persons making deposits subsequent to that date must pay the interest accrued from the date of note to date of deposit.

Special advantages of this Loan.

IT IS A NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, offering a higher rate of interest than any other and the BEST SECURITY. Any savings bank which pays its depositors in U. S. Notes, considers that it is paying in the best circulating medium of the country, and it cannot pay in anything better, for its own assets are either in goverment securities or in notes or bonds payable in government paper.

Convertable into a Six per cent. 5-20 Gold Bond.

In addition to the very liberal interest on the notes for three years, this privilege of conversion s now worth about three per cent. per annum for the current rate for 5-20 Bonds it not less than **nine per cent. premium**, and before the war the premium on six per cent. U. S. stocks was over twenty per cent, It will be seen that the actual profit on this loan, at the present market rate, is not less than ten per cent per annum:

Its Exemption from State or Municipal Taxation.

But aside from all the advantages we have enumerated, a special act of Congress exempts all bonds and treasury notes **from local Taxation.** On the average, this exemption is worth about two per cent. per annum, according to the rate of taxation in various parts of the country.

It is believed that no securities offer so great inducements to lenders as those issued by the government. In all other forms of indebtedness the faith or ability of private parties, or stock companies, or seperate communities, only, is pledged for payment, while the whole property of the country is held to secure the discharge of all the obligations of the United States.

Subscriptions will be received by the Treasurer of the United States, at Washington, the several Assistant Treasurers and designated Depositaries, and by the

First National Bank of St Paul

And by all National Banks which are depositaries of public money, and

ALL RESPECTABLE BANKS AND BANKERS

throughout the country will give further information and

AFFORD EVERY FACILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS.

October 26, 1864. n52m2

Wanted! Wanted!!

1000 Bushels of CORN at the Mill, n Winnebago City Minn., for which the highest market will be paid.

McCORMICK & TAPLIN.

Waned! Wanted!!

Wanted at this office IMMEDIATELY a boy from 16 to 18 years of age smart and active, to learn the printing business. One that has had some experience prefered.

Sheep for Sale!

The subscriber would inform the farmers of this vicinity, that he has for sale One Hundred Wethers, and Fifty Ewes, all of which are in fine condition. Any person wishing to purchase can find me at my farm three miles west of Winnebago City, on Saturday the sixth day of November next. I will sell either at private sale or at auction.

EUGENE HUNTINGTON.

$50 REWARD

STOLEN from the stable of the subscriber on the 11th inst., about 12 o'clock at night, two Bay Mares, nearly of one size. The smallest one has a white spot in the forehead in the shape of a half moon, the left hind foot white from the fetlock down. The largest is a shade the darkest, with a few white hairs over the left eye. Any one giving information where said property may be found, or returning the same to the owner, one and a half miles East of Minnesota Lake, will receive the above reward.

50w4 FREDERICK POFAHL.

To Farmers.

Wanted, 5,000 bushels of Oats! The highest CASH price will be paid for oats.

Wanted, Teams to be loaded to Fort Ridgley. Apply to

52w3 MOULTON & WELCH.

Taken Up

By the subscriber about the last of October in the town of Verona Faribault County, to Calves one red mooley, the other red with line back. Also one two-year-old HEIFER, with one leg horn. The owner is requested to come, prove property pay charges and take them away.

3w3 MITCHEL BURSEL.

Farmers of the Blue-Earth valley

when you come to Mankato, stop at

O. WARD'S!

Where you can find every variety of

Dry Goods,
Hardware,
Groceries

BOOTS & SHOES.

HATS & CAPS!

WITH ALL THE LATEST STYLES OF READY MADE

CLOTHING!

And in fact everything you will be likely to want, and at PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

Try us when you come to town. If we can't suit you when you call on us, that will be our fault. If you, when you come to town, do not give us a chance to suit you that is your loss.

GIVE HIM A TRIAL

Mankato, March 16, 1864. 21y1

PRICES GREATLY REDUCED.

THE CITY

DRUG STORE!

LEWIS and FRISBIE.

(Successors to J. R. Tinkcom.)

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

Drugs,
Medicines,
Paints.
Dye Stuffs,
Cigars, and

PURE LIQUORS.

We have also a splendid assortment of

BOOKS & STATIONARY

Corner of FRONT & HICKORY sts

Mankato, Minn. 21y1

STOVES!

TIN, COPPER AND

Sheet Iron Ware

As Cheap as the Cheapest!

The undersigned would improve the opportunity now offered to acknowledge the favors heretofore received and would respectfully say to his old patrons and all others at he is now receiving a new supply of

STOVES & STOCK

in his line, and will be better prepared than heretofore supply them with a variety of

TIN, COPPER
SHEET IRON, JAPANNED
and Pressed Wares,

STOVES, PIPE
POLISH, &C.,

at prices as low as the times will admit.

Job Work and Repairing

will receive special and prompt attention.

R. E. ABBOTT.

Winnebago City, Oct. 28, 1863.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

☞ We omitted to notice in our last, the new mercantile firm of Moulton & Deudon. It is unnecessary for us to say to our readers that they are doing business at the old stand of Moulton & Welch, and are supplied with a larger and better assortment of goods than has ever been opened to the people of Faribault county. It is a mistaken idea which some people entertain that goods can be purchased cheaper abroad than at home. We tried that on last week, and having at quite an expense purchased a few articles in St. Paul, found to our chagrin that we had paid ten per cent more for them than was asked by Moulton & Deudon here at home. We rather think a good many besides ourself are discovering that it is better to patronize home institutions.

☞ All the towns in the state especially those nearest to the Provost Marshal's office are having their physically disabled men examined and struck from the enrollment lists. If the towns in the border and frontier counties do not do likewise an excessive quota upon them will be the consequenc.

☞ Wm, Dustin Esq, will be in town on Wednesday and Thursday, the 18th and 19th instant, for the purpose of Receiving taxes. This will save the tax payers a trip to Blue Earth, and we would advise them to be on hand at the appointed time.

☞ We learn from the Adjutant General Malmros, that the following towns have furnished the number of men set opposite in excess of previous quotas.

Winnebago City,	17.	Prescott,	8.
Blue Earth City,	7.	Verona	2.

By paying a reasonable bounty those towns will no doubt be able to raise sufficient men to avoid a draft.

☞ Mr. A. Clendening while sleeping in the Hotel in this place on Saturday night last was robbed of a $20 Greenback. If some measures are not resorted to soon, to stop the stealing done about that House, travellers will soon refuse to stop there. Dont blame them.

☞ The Verona exempts started for St. Peter yesterday. These drafts are great things to make men old and become cripples. Wish they applied to the girls. Should like to see if they would own up to their age as well as men do. Guess they'd go, first.

☞ Remember that if you want to read the HOMESTEAD after the first of February, you must see to it that it is paid for in advance.

☞ The ought-to-be-exempts of our town started for St. Peter on Tuesday last. If all that went are exempted our quota will be greatly reduced.

☞ Snow fell to the depth of one six teenth of an inch in our town on Monday last. It mixes with the dust finely.

☞ Read the advertisement entitled "Beware of Imposition", in another column.

Where Sherman is Going.

An elderly rebel, of the pot gut persuasion, extensively dressed in jeans, and bearing a gold headed cane, came to Gen. Sherman's headquarters one evening to see what was up. He was treated well, and took his misfortune in losing negroes and stock very philosophically (as he couldn't help it), and seemed to comfort himself with saying that "things is going to the devil, any how, and it didn't make much difference how soon." As he was taking his leave he asked: "Wha'r yer gwine from har, General?" Sherman lookek at the old fellow. quizzically for a moment and replied: "Why, pretty much where we damn please!" With this confronting assurance, gold headed cane retired.

FEMALES! FEMALES! FEMALES!

Use the Safe Pleasant Remedy known as HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

For all Complaints instant to the sex. No family should be without it, and none will when once tried by them. It is used By Young and Old, In the decline or change of life, before and after Marriage, during and confinement, to strengthen the Nerves, restore Nature to its Proper channel, and invigorate the Broken down Constitution from whatever cause originating.

USE NO MORE WORTHLESS PILLS!

TAKE

HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

See Advertisement in another column. Cut out, and send for it.

BEWARE OF IMPOSITION.

A Company having been recently started in Rochester, of which one C. H. Foote is Secretary (Formerly, but NOT NOW secretary of the Farmers' Company.) the public are warned against confusing the two companies—the so called "Rochester Insurance Company" having no capital to secure its policy holders, and being controlled by non residents of the State. This company having without authority used the names of prominent citizens of Minnesota to give it a false standing and credit, the following "cards" published in the Rochester City Post of December 17th, were given to the public by the persons whose names were so wrongfully used:

CARD.

The undersigned, having been informed that their names have been used and published in a card as "Directors and references" in the so called "Rochester Insurance Company," desire to say that they know nothing of said company, have not had and do not desire to have any connection with it in any capacity whatever; and here by decline to be held responsible in any way for its doings.

Rochester, Dec. 15, 1864.

JOHN M. COLE
C. H. LINDSLEY,
W. S. BOOTH.

Note from Mr. Shandrew.

Winona, Dec. 15, 1864.

FRIEND WHITCOMB:—Yours of the 12th is recieved. In reply I would say, that if my name has been used in connection with the socalled "Rochester Insurance Co." lately started in your city by Mitchell, Foote and others, it has been done without my consent and against my wishes as expressed to the former some three weeks since

Yours truly,
P. E. SHANDREW.

CARD

Of the Directors of the Farmers' Insurance Company.

In order to avoid confusion and misunderstanding, the Directors of the Farmers' Insurance Co. deem it their duty to inform the public that for reasons of a prudential character they have dissolved all connection with Mr. C. H. Foote, formerly Secretary of the company, who is not now connected with the Company in any capacity whatever. This statement is made in order to guard the public against mistaking a new organization, styled the "Rochester Insurance Company," (of which Mr. Foote now purports to be the Secretary,) for the old and well established Farmers', with which it has no connection whatever.

The Directors take pleasure in further announcing, that they have deposited with the "First National Bank" of Rochester, (see certificate below) an amount of securities, which, in connection with the acquired capital already in the hands of the Company, forms a capital of $ 7,000.

The Directors of the "Farmers" have undertaken this enterprise in a spirit of entire good faith, and pledge their best efforts to make it at once, the safest, soundest, and cheapest company for the insured existing in the State.

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J. V. DANIELS,
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C. C. JONES,
O. P. WHITCOMB,
W. D. HURLBUT,
D. BLAKELY,
CHAS. SCHEFFER,
S. A. KENNEDY,
Directors Farmers' Insurance Co.

I hereby certify that the President of the Farmers' Insurance Company of Rochester, has deposited securities with the First National Bank of Rochester to the amount of $10,000 as additional capital to the acquired capital of said company in cash and premium notes.

T. W. TITUS, Cashier.

Rochester, Dec. 15, 1864.

☞ READ THIS! ☜

A "Wild Cat" Insurance Company.

The following communication from a substantial citizen of Rochester to the Post newspaper, with reference to a new company entitled the "Rochester Insurance Company," will explain itself:

About Insurance Companies.

To the Editor of the Rochester Post:

SIR:—I notice by reference to the Articles of Incorporation on file with the Register of Deeds, that there are in existence at Rochester at the present time, two Insurance Companies, which the public are invited to patronize and encourage. If these Companies are worthy of the confidence of the public, and are able to meet their liabilities they ought to be encouraged and sustained. On the contrary, if one or both of them fail to combine these elements of strength, the people who are solicited to take risks in them, and who always suffer largely by the failure of such Institutions too meet their liabilities, should early be informed of their danger. The laws of Minnesota are surprisingly lax in regard to Insurance projects, and only the watchful scrutiny of the people can insure them against the designs of evil disposed persons.

I find that the Farmers' Insurance Company has for its Directors citizens of Minnesota who have long been well and favorably known both in public and in private life, as responsible and honorable men. Among these are Ex-Gov Ramsey, State Treasurer Scheffer and Secretary Blakely, John R. Cook, President of the First National Bank Hon. J. V. Daniels, O. P. Whitcomb, Treasurer of Olmstead County, and Wm. D. Hurlbut, Louis Walker and C. C. Jones Esqs. The intention of these gentlemen to deal honorably by the public cannot be doubted. The question which remains is as to the capital which they have acquired or devoted to the safety of the company. By inquiry at the Secretary's office, I find that the company have issued five hundred policies, and have acquired a member's Capital in cash and premium notes of $17,000. In addition to this the Directors of the Company have subscribed an additional capital of $10,000 and deposited it with the first National Bank of Rochester, to remain as a guarantee for its liabilities until its acquired capital shall reach $50,000—which, in the present prosperous condition of the Company cannot be long. They have thus complied with such laws as are in force in New York regulating new companies and such as unquestionably ought to be in force here. I believe the Farmers' Insurance Co. to be a sound and trustworthy Institution.

I now turn my attention to the new company styled the "Rochester Insurance Company." On a card issued by this Company the following names appear as "Directors and Reference," viz: C. L. Currier, G. H. Foote, M. D. Farr, L. G. M. Fletcher, W. H. Mitchell, A. F. Childs, C. H. Batt, B. A. Brown, D. Chase, W. S. Booth, P. E. Shandrew, C. H. Lindsley, and John M. Cole. The first seven of these persons are by the Articles of Incorporation made Directors for the term of five years—the members and policy-holders of the company having no voice in electing their successors during the whole of this time, and no control over them whatever, let their action be what it may! Comment upon this feature is manifestly unnecessary. Five of these five years Directors are from foreign States, and nothing is known of them by the people of Minnesota. A majority of the Board of management mentioned in the charter are therefore not Minnesotians—have no property interest here whatever, as appears by the records of the Court House, and each of them as here for the purpose of running this Company, may go away as quickly and as silently as they came, and none will be the wiser.

Of the remaining names mentioned above, all are honorable and sound men residing in our midst. But on being referred to Messrs. Brown and Chase say they are not Directors and know nothing about the company. They are probably "References." Messrs. Shandrew, Lindsley, Booth and Cole decline any connection with the Company, know nothing about it, and desire no credit to be given it on their account. The placing of their names before the public as "Directors and References" therefore constitutes a case of direct fraud, and subjects the offenders to fine and imprisonment. (See Sec. XIV, p 251 Revised Statutes." The further claim of the company that its "capital consists in first liens on real estate" is intentional deception and misrepresentation, and lays the individual property of the Directors liable for the debts of the company. But as the names of none of the Directors appear on the real estate rolls of the county, the condition of policy holders, in case of loss by fire, and the failure of the company to respond may be seen at a glance.

The sole capital of this company consists in the premium notes of its policy holders, As the company has but just begun its business, it can have no amount of these. That it is therefore a wild-cat institution of the very worst species is clearly apparent.

—I have made this examination, Mr. Editor and stated the result, with no other purpose than to protect the people, and to compel this company either to adopt measures for the protection of their policy holders, or to cease to do business. I trust they will adopt the former course. Good insurance companies will benefit the city and community at large, while the existence of all enterprises of the kind have demonstrated the curse which poor ones are to all who have any thing to do with them. Yours, &c.,

Rochester, Dec. 15, 1864. GEO. BRISBIE.

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The Co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the style and firm of Richardson & Deudon, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm or having claims against them, are requested to make immediate settlement with F. Deudon.

Dated Dec. 26th 1864.

SILAS RICHARDSON,
FRANK DEUDON.

Notice of Disolution.

The co partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the style and firm of Moulton & Welch, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm, or having claims against them, are requested to make immediate settlement with G. K. Moulton.

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SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the person applying for the benefit of this act shall, upon application to the register of the land office in which he or she is about to make such entry, make affidavit before the said register or receiver that he or she is the head of a family, or is twenty-one or more years of age, or shall have performed service in the army or navy of the United States, and that he has never borne arms against the Government of the United States or given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that such application is made for his or her exclusive use and benefit, and that said entry is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; and upon filing the said affidavit with the register or receiver, and on payment of ten dollars, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to enter the quantity of land specified: Provided however, That no certificate shall be given or patent issued therefore until the expiration of five years from the date of such entry; and if, at the expiration of such time, or at any time within two years thereafter the person making such entry,—or if he be dead, his widow; or in case of her death—shall prove by two credible witnesses that he, she, or they have resided upon or cultivated the same for the term of five years immediately succeeding the time of filing the affidavit aforesaid, and shall make affidavit that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to the Government of the United States; then, in such case he, she, or they, if at that time a citizen of the United States, shall be entitled to a patent, as in other cases provided for by law: And provided, further, That in case of the death of both father and mother, leaving an infant child, or children, under twenty-one years of age the right and fee shall enure to the benefit of said infant child or children; and the executor, administrator, or guardian may, at any time within two years after the death of the surviving parent and in accordance with the laws of the state in which such children for the time being have their domicil, sell said land for the benefit of said infants, but for no other purpose; and the purchaser shall acquire the absolute title by the purchase, and be entitled to a patent from the United States on payment of the office fees and sum of money herein specified.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the register of the land office shall note all such applications on the tract books and plats of his office, and keep a register of all such entries, and make return thereof to the General Land Office, together with the proof upon which they have been founded.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That no lands acquired under the provision of this act shall in any event become liable to the satisfaction of any debt or debts contracted prior to the issuing of the patent therefor.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That if, at any time after the filing of the affidavit, as required in the second section of this act, and before the expiration of the five years aforesaid, it shall be proven, after due notice to the settler, to the satisfaction of the register of the land office, that the person having filed such affidavit shall have actually changed his or her residence, or abandoned the said land for more than six months at any time, then and in that event the land so entered shall revert to the Government.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That no individual shall be permitted to acquire title to more than one quarter section under the provisions of this act; and that the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby required to prepare and issue such rules and regulations, consistent with this act, as shall be necessary and proper to carry its provisions into effect; and that the registers and receivers of the several land offices shall be entitled to receive the same compensation for any lands entered under the provisions of this act that they are now entitled to receive when the same quantity of land is entered with money, one half to be paid by the person making the application at the time of so doing, and the other half on the issue of the certificate by the person to whom it may be issued; but this shall not be construed to enlarge the maximum of compensation now prescribed by law for any register or receiver: Provided, That nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to impair or interfere in any manner whatever with existing pre-emption rights: And provided, further, That all persons who may have filed their applications for a preemption right prior to the passage of this act shall be entitled to all the privileges of this act: Provided, further, That no person who has served, or may hereafter serve, for a period of not less than fourteen days in the army or navy of the United states, either regular or volunteer, under the laws thereof, during the existence of an actual war, domestic or foreign, shall be deprived of the benefits of this act on account of not having attained the age of twenty one years.

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GALUSHA A. GROW,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
S. FOOT,
President pro tem. of the senate.

Approved, May 20. 1862.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
President of the United states.

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Amendment of The Homestead law.

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The third section provides that in any case hereafter in which the applicant for the benefit of the homestead is prevented, by reason of distance, bodily infirmity or other good cause, from personal attendance at the district land office, he may make the affidavit required by the original statute before the clerk of the court for the county in which he is an actual resident, and transmit the same, with the fee and commissions, to the register and receiver.

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Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the person applying for the benefit of this act shall, upon application to the register of the land office in which he or she is about to make such entry, make affidavit before the said register or receiver that he or she is the head of a family, or is twenty-one or more years of age, or shall have performed service in the army or navy of the United States, and that he has never borne arms against the Government of the United States or given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that such application is made for his or her exclusive use and benefit, and that said entry is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; and upon filing the said affidavit with the register or receiver, and on payment of ten dollars, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to enter the quantity of land specified: Provided however, That no certificate shall be given or patent issued therefore until the expiration of five years from the date of such entry; and if, at the expiration of such time, or at any time within two years thereafter the person making such entry,—or if he be dead, his widow; or in case of her death—shall prove by two credible witnesses that he, she, or they have resided upon or cultivated the same for the term of five years immediately succeeding the time of filing the affidavit aforesaid, and shall make affidavit that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to the Government of the United States; then, in such case he, she, or they, if at that time a citizen of the United States, shall be entitled to a patent, as in other cases provided for by law: And provided, further, That in case of the death of both father and mother, leaving an infant child, or children, under twenty-one years of age, the right and fee shall enure to the benefit of said infant child or children; and the executor, administrator, or guardian may, at any time within two years after the death of the surviving parent and in accordance with the laws of the state in which such children for the time being have their domicil, sell said land for the benefit of said infants, but for no other purpose; and the purchaser shall acquire the absolute title by the performance of the office fees and sum of money herein specified.

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GALUSHA A. GROW,
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As we are now upon the threshold of a new year, when prudent merchants are accustomed to sum up the past and plan for the future,—we wish to say a few words to them about ourselves. Our paper was started now nearly a year since, to meet the obvious necessity for a reliable Weekly Commercial Journal in this great and growing metropolis. To the attainment of this end we have devoted all our energies and our continued success (which has far exceeded our expectations) emboldens us to reckon largely upon the future. What our paper is it will speak for itself to those who will carefully examine its various departments. Those who have not an opportunity to do this are respectfully referred to any of its numerous patrons whose advertising favors are and have been displayed in its columns.

We have differed somewhat from the Commercial Weeklies of New York and Boston, by giving place to subjects of permanent value in the domains of Agriculture, Literature and news, as well as Commerce, that our paper might be acceptable to every business man, not only as a reliable commercial reference but as one that never fails to contain something upon various other subjects which is new, interesting and worthy to be read. We have carefully avoided all common place matter and shall continue to do so; but our best efforts will be given to maintain our reputation as a standard Commercial authority and a prompter of pure morals, harmless mirth, enlightened literature and reliable agricultural news.

It will be perceived that we have often quoted largely from those excellent agricultural papers, the "American Agriculturist and the "Working Farmer," both of New York city. With their kind permission we shall continue to do so, as we know of no papers in this country or elsewhere more worthy of reference. No good farmer should be without them and none will when they come to know their value. At the same time we read all other standard American as well as Foreign Agricultural publications, and when we find anything new and striking, we give it place in our columns.

And now may we ask of Western Merchants that in their business arrangements for 1864 they include a subscription to the CHICAGO JOURNAL OF COMMERCE. Our Commercial Editor is, by the unanimous consent of Chicago Merchants, considered without a superior in his department, having had many years experience with the daily papers here and elsewhere, in addition to whose comprehensive reports leading merchants in every branch of trade have kindly volunteered to keep us accurately posted. Our reports of the New York and Boston markets are from the best sources and are of themselves worth far more than a subscription to our paper. In this department we have no Western rivals.

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J. L. CHRISTIE Publisher & Proprietor. Terms---One Dollar and Fifty Cents---Invariably in Advance.

Are the Germans Wrong in Wanting our Bonds.?

Not a bit of it! No shrewder, thrifti er people, in matters of money, exist on earth. Our Jersey people and New England people are a frugal, industri ous people, but they can't save money like the Germans. All Germany is a great savings bank. It is true that their working men are not so rich, on an average, as our working men, be cause they don't get more than one quarter of the wages of our men. But a German can save money, and he knows when it is safe. Now these shrewd, thrifty Germans want our bonds. They want them by millions. They turn aside from the great beg gars of the world in Europe, and come to us Republicans. They treat the notes of Napoleon and Joseph and Maximillian with indifference, but want to discount all the American notes they can get. The London Times says this is all wrong—that the Repub licans in America are all bankrupt, and the Germans must be crazy to slight British and French beggars, and go begging themselves, to America. Are they crazy? We asked Poor Richard what he thought about it. 'Why,' said he, 'how can they be crazy, when they are doing just what I did a little more than a year ago, when I put my little savings into Government six per cents? Now see what I got by it; just count up. I have received six per cent. in gold, which averaged 161 per cent. in currency, making 12 per cent in specie. Now, to-day my bond is salable in the New York market at 16 per cent. premium. Put these together, and to-day I have 22 per cent. for one year's use of my money. What do you think of that? You know, as well as I do, that there are thousands of people who do this, and to-day they have 22 per cent. on their investment. Why, I saw Miss Jones, our school-marm go to the bank and buy a $500 bond. How she got the money I don't know, but these Yankee schoolmistresses are first rate hands at taking care of themselves. Well, now, count up. If Miss Jones sells her bonds today, she gets her $500 back safe, and she gets one hun dred and ten dollars clear gain. Can you sharp fellows down there in Wil liam street do any better? You know I told Mr. Smith, the banker, my ideas about that, and he bought $5,000 six per cent. bonds, and you see he gets $1,100 for a year's use of his money. I met him the other day, and he said, "Poor Richard you are right; I begin to think the Government can take care of itself, and us too. For my part I mean to buy some of the 7-30's. The The rate of interest is high enough, and in three years they will turn into six per cent. bonds again." "Yes, Mr. Smith, it is right, on the money side; but, it is right on the country's side too. Help your country, or it can't help you. Now, I say the Germans are right, but they would be right if they got half that interest. They cannot make a quarter of that at home." So thought Poor Richard, and so think we When we think of the German opinion of our situation and of our financial strength, we must remember that they are far better judges of our condition than we are, or our enemies are. They are lookers on, at a great distance.—They have none of our enmities or prej udices. They can examine the facts disinterestedly. They do; and the result is a verdict that the American Government is stable—its ability and integrity in meeting its financial engage ments unquestionable. This verdict, too, is founded on a series of facts which are unimpeachable, and well known to every intelligent American. Take two or three of the most important: 1. The United States doubles its population each twenty-five years. The population of the country, which in 1850 was twenty-three millions, will in 1875 be forty six millions. But the rebellion! says some one. How much has the rebellion diminished the strength of the United States? Take this astonishing fact, that if all the rebel States had been sunk in the Pacific Ocean, the United States would in 1875 have a population equal to that of the whole in 1860. In other words, fifteen years will supply the total loss of the seven original Rebel States. What can impede the progress of such a country? The wealth of the country increased 127 per cent. in ten years! Now let it increase but 80 from 1860 to 1870, and it will amount to ten times all the loans of the government. The German knows what he is about He will get the largest income from loans in the world, and the safest secu rity. No such opportunity has occurred before for the investment of money, and in all probability will never oc cur again. If the American does not know and take advantage of this, the German and Frenchman will.—Ex.

A Fox Story.

Two business gentlemen from New Haven, who occasionally indulged in a sporting experience, visited Southington, on a hunt, the other day. Birds were not very plenty, and with very doubtful success the gentlemen started for the depot, toward night, to take the train home. Meeting an Irishman, they incidentally asked him if there were any rabbits, partridges, quails, foxes or any other game about there.

'Be dad, there is that! I can put my finger on a nest of foxes where there is five young 'uns and the old 'un. They are so tame you can stroke 'em with yer hand." This was a chance to capture fur that must not be lost, and after some dickering, Pat agreed to pilot them to the nest for three dollars. After tangling through the woods about a mile, the party came to a clearing where stood a log house. With a horrible Milesian grin he pointed to an old woman and five young imps lying loose about the main floor, exclaiming "Give the same to arthur; Mrs Pat rick Fox, these hunters are after yez! Good day, gintlemen." The hunters got back to the depot too late for the train that day, but they arrived home all safe the next morning. It is unnecessary to mention, however, that it is not to them that we are indebted for the above facts.

PROSPECTUS OF THE

Atlantic for '65.

The Number for January, 1865, begins the Fifteenth Volume of the "Atlantic Monthly."—The publishers trust that they have made such arrangements for the coming year as will convince their patrons that they intend to maintain the present position and popularity of their magazine. They can now announce definitely the following features of the New Volume:

Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, will contribute a new series of Domestic Papers, with the title of "The Chimney Corner."

Donald C. Mitchell, author of "Reveries of a Bachelor," will begin in early number a story with the title of "Dr. Johns."

Prof. Goldwin Smith, of the University of Oxford, has engaged to write regularly during the year, on topics of interest to American readers.

Prof. Agassiz has in preparation another series of his interesting and valuable Scientific Papers.

Nathaniel Hawthorne's Papers furnish some scenes from his unfinished work, "The Dolliver Romance," which will appear in the coming volume.

Fitz-Hugh Ludlow will continue his admirable sketches of travel and adventure.

George Augusta Sala, the the well known novelist and magazinecist, will contribute a series of papers similar to those written by him in Dickens' "Household Words," and "All the Year Round." The first paper will be a sketch of George Cruikshank.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Hall will contribute to the New Volume Memories of Authors they have known, including many interesting reminiscences of Moore and other literary celebrities.

The Author of "Ten Acres ENOUGH" will furnish the Atlantic with regular articles of strikingly original character.

In addition to the features above enumerated, other interesting ones are in preparation. The magazine will still be favored with constant contributions from its regular staff of writers, whose names are familiar to the reading public as those of the

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The English Workingmen to Mr. Lincoln

The following address from the workingmen of England to Mr. Lincoln, congratulating him upon his re-election, appears in the London Daily News of December 28th. It has been forwarded to Washington through Mr. Addams:

To Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States of America:

'Sir:—We congratulate the American people upon your re-election by a large majority. If resistance to the slave powers was the reserved watch word of your first election, the triumphant war cry of your re-election is "death to slavery." From the commencement of the Titanic American strife the workingmen of Europe felt instinctively that the Star Spangled Banner carried the destiny of their class. The contest for the territories which opened the dire epopee, was it not to decide whether the virgin soil of immense tracts should be wedded to the labor of the emigrant or prostitute by the tramp of the slave driver? When an oligarchy of three hundred slaveholders dared to inscribe, for the first time in the annals of the world, Slavery on the banner of armed revault; when on the very spots where hardly a century ago the idea of one great democratic republic had first sprang up, whence the first declaration of the right of man was issued, and the first impulse given to the European revolution of the eighteenth century when on those very spots counter revolution, with systematic thoroughness, gloried in rescinding the ideas entertained at the time of the formation of the old 'constitution,' and maintained slavery to be a beneficent, institution, indeed, the only solution of the great problem of the relation of capital to labor, 'cymically proclaimed property in man' the corner stone of the new edifice; then the working class of Europe understood at once even before the frantic partizanship of the upper classes for the Confederate gentry had given its dismal warning, that the slaveholder's rebelion was to sound the tocsin for a general holy crusade of property against labor, and that for the men of labor, with their hopes for the future, even their past conquests were at stake in that tremulous conflict on the other side of the Atlantic. Every where they bore there force, patiently the hardships imposed upon them by the cotton crisis, opposed enthusiastically the pro slavery intervention importunities of their "betters," and from most parts of Europe contributed their quota of blood to the good cause. While the workingmen, the true political power of the North, allowed slavery to defile their own republic, while before the negro mastered and sold without his concurrence, they boasted it the highest prerogative of the white skined laborer to sell himself and choose his own master, they were unable to attain the true freedom of labor, or to support their European brethern in struggle for emancipation; but the barrier to progress has been swept off by the read sea of civil war. The workingmen of Europe feel sure that as the American war of independence innitiated a new era of ascendency for the middle class, so the American anti-slavery war will do for the working class. They consider it an earnest of the epoch to come that it fell to the lot of Abraham Lincoln, the single minded son of the working class, to lead his country through the matchless struggle for the rescue of an enchained race and the reconstruction of a social world.

'Signed on behalf of the International Working Men's Association, the members of the Central Council."

A droll story is told of an honest solid farmer, who, in attempting to drive home a bull got suddenly hoisted over the fence. Recovering himself he saw the animals on the other side of the fence sawing the air with his head and neck and pawing the ground. The good old man looked steadily at him a moment and exclaimed: "Darn your apologies; you need't stand there, you tarnal critter, a bowin' and scrapen', you did it a purpose, darn your ugly pictures."

How The Devil Lost.

The following from a Minnesota paper is too good to be lost. It conveys a moral to those who feel disposed to spread in the newspaper line:

A young man who ardently desired wealth, was visited by his Satanic majesty, who tempted him to promise his soul for eternity, if he could be supplied on this earth with all the money he could use. The bargain was concluded; the devil was to supply the money, and was at last to have the soul, unless the young man could spend more money than the devil could furnish. Years passed away; the man married, was extravagant in his living built palaces, speculated wildly, lost and gave away fortunes; and yet his coffers were always full. He turned politician, without reducing his 'pile' of gold. He became a 'filibuster,' and fitted out ships and armies, but his banker honored all his drafts. He went to St. Paul to live, and paid the usual rates of interest for all the money he could borrow, but though the devil made wry faces when he came to pay the bill, yet they were all paid. One experiment after another failed; the devil counted the time, only two years, that he must wait for the soul, and mocked the efforts of the despairing man. One more trial was resolved upon; the man started a newspaper! The devil growled at the end of the first quarter, was savage in six months, melancholy in nine, and broke—"dead broke"—at the end of the year. So the newspaper went down, but the soul was saved.

A bashful youth was paying his addresses to a gay lass of the country, who had long disparred bringing things to a crisis. He called one day when she was at home alone. After setling the merits of the weather, Miss said, looking slyly into his face:

'I dreamed of you last night.'

'Did you? Why now!"

'I dreamed that you kissed me.'

"Why, now! What did you dream your mother said?"

'Oh! I dreamed she wasn't at home.'

A light dawned on the youth's intellect' and directly something was heard to crack—perhaps his whip, and perhaps not, but in a month they were married.

A clergyman was once sent for in the middle of night by one of the ladies of his congregation.

'Well, my good woman,' said he, 'so you are very ill, and require the consolation of religion? What can I do for you?'

'No,' replied the old lady: 'I am only nervous and can't sleep.'

'How can I help that? asked the parson.

'O, sir, you always put me to sleep so nicely when I go to church, that I thought if you would only preach a little for me!

The parson made tracks.

A proprietor of a cotton mill, who is something of a philosopher, posted on the factory gate the following notice: "No cigars or good looking men admitted." When asked for an explanation he said, "The one will set a flame among my cotton, and the the other among my gals. I won't admit such inflamable things into my establishment at any risk.

A traveler coming up to an inn door, said: Pray, friend, are you the master of this house?"

'Yes sir,' answered Boniface, 'my wife has been dead these three years.'

A lady who sings in the choir, says she will marry a small man, because short meter hymns are the easiest to get along with.

A PARSON'S FEELING AT SEA.—The first hour a parson spends at sea is commonly devoted to admiring the triumph over the deep—the next in admitting that the deep is gradually triumphing over him. "Steward, where's my room? I begin to feel as if I should very soon need a little weak brandy or a good deal of tin basin."

Critics complain of a want of originality in poetry. Poets may well complain of a want of originality in criticism.

THE HOMESTEAD

WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

JAN. 25 1865.

H. W. HOLLEY - - - - - - - - Editor.

State Printing.

We are credibly informed that the recommendation of Governor Miller in his Message, to wit: "That the public printing be given to the lowest bidder," wil be endorsed by the Legislature. We hope such is the case, and that hereafter all the printers in the State may have a fair chance to compete for this work. The Republican party of the State cannot afford to father any longer the arrant swindling that has been going on so long in St. Paul, under the garb of Public Printer. We were shown while in St. Paul, recently, samples of this picayune stealing from the State by these public printers which will no doubt if properly shown up to the members of the Legislature, open their eyes to the necessary changing of the present law. Let each item of State printing be knocked off to the lowest bidder, and if our worthy "organ" can't grind under such wholesome arrangement, let the grists go to another hopper.

☞ Senator Miller of Fillmore Co., we notice, introduced a bill in the Senate, a few days since, granting swamp lands to the Southern Minnesota Rail Road Company, to aid in the construction of their branch road through the Southern tier of counties. And Representative Gibbs of Freeborn, has introduced a similar bill in the House. We trust the Legislature this year will not refuse this trifling aid to an enterprise, so vital to the interests of this section of the State.

A Homestead settler who was driven from his claim last Summer by Indians, thus writes us under date of Dec. 12th, 1864.

Will those humbugs, Gens. Pope, and Sibely have the command of the North Western Department next Summer? if so I pity the border setlers. May God forbid! J. C. P.

As we cannot answer our corespondents inquiry we print it and send a copy of our paper to each of the Generals, and we presume they will answer his pertinen inquiry by letter at once.

"Dispatches have been received from Col. Plender, commandant of the post at Fort Ridgely, announcing that measures are being taken to carry out the insructions of Gen. Sibley relative to collecting all the straggling Sioux Indians, and removing them on the other side of the James River."

Better remove them into purgatory, and then send old Sibley along to keep them company. This thing of gathering up Sioux Indians, and sending them a cross the James River is all humbug, and should be played out. Can't we have a General who has got brains and spunk enough to devise some other punishment than this for these outlaws? Perhaps one with less "family sympathies" would do it.

COMMUNICATION.

From the 11th Regt.,
Richland Station, Jan. 1st 1865.

MR. EDITOR:—I presume the citizens of Winnebago City and vicinity would like to hear a word from the 11th Regiment, and what we are doing. We are guarding the Louisville and Nashville railroad, from the Kentucky State line to Nashville, a distance of about 45 miles, with headquarters at Gallatin. Three companies are stationed at the latter place, and the balance are stationed along the route, all in good huts and stockades. The duties are quite heavy, as we have to send out patrolls and other guards, as it is important that this road should be kept open. There are plenty of guerillas down here, and the trains are fired into almost every week, they cut down the telegraph poles and cut the wires as often as twice a week. But we are enough for them, some of the boys in the regiment keep picking them off almost every day. Company A made three of them kiss their mother earth a few days since.

The war down here reminds one of the Indian war in our own State, stockades all along the railroad and in the little towns. It takes quite a force to hold these posts, with perhaps, but a few guerillas in the neighborhood, for they are mounted on the best horses the country can afford, and they know the country and can move from one place to another, and we cannot follow them I have been as far South as Chattanooga, but saw nothing of any importance on my trip down, but a poor farming country all along the rout. The country is very hilly and stony, and the land is very poor, the soil is a yellow clay, and cannot compete with our Minnesota soil. The farms all along the rout had grewn up with young sassafras sprouts and looked as if the owners had been gone for years. The most of the inhabitants are a poor miserable set, nearly all rebels, and at least forty years behind the times. I will give you a brief sketch of our holidays. Thanksgiving day was a beautiful one, not a cloud to be seen; we had a general feast on the poultry from the country, and we enjoyed ourselves much better than could be expected. We had, though not a fine day, a "Merry Christmas." The boys all enjoyed themselves finely, and we wound up the day by eating one of the best dinners the country could afford. The old year passed away and the new year found me standing as sentinal on the top of our stockade. The weather was clear and cold, and the snow some two or three inches deep. I often read in my boyhood of the "Sunny South," but my opinion now is, that it is a sunny humbug. For several days it has been very cold, but in my log hut with a good fire-place and plenty of wood, I can keep comfortable, and would be happy to know that all the northern soldiers was as well situated as we are at present. Company C is more like a band of brothers, each is willing to share his comforts with his less fortunate fellow. We have a good set of officers, and as for our Captain, Mr. Potter, too much praise cannot be given him for his kindness toward his men. If this is acceptable, I will write you again regarding matters and things in general down this way.

Yours with respect,
B. F. L.

NEWS ITEMS.

The mail from Sherman's army, by the Arago, reached the New York Post Office at 9½ o'clock on Friday evening, and the last letter of more than two hundred thousand was dispatched by the Erie line at 4½ o'clock the next afternoon. It took fifteen men night and day to cancel the stamps. This was the largest mail ever received at that post office.

Secretary Fessenden having been renominated to the Senate, rumor is busy selecting his successor. The names most prominently mentioned, are those of Gov. Morgan of New York, and McCollough of Indiana, the present Comptroller of the Currency.

On the 17th a fire broke out in the paper warehouse of Charles Knight, Jr., 525 Commerce street, Philadelphia. The loss is $700,000. The other occupants of the building were Brown & Culvert, manufacturers of hospital goods, and Joseph Stetmagen, paper maker, Both suffer great loss.

The Herald's Washington special says: "General Butler's report of the Wilmington expedition has been received at the War Department. It is very lengthy, and tends to exculpate Butler from the responsibility of the failure. It is understood to reflect on Admiral Porter."

The bursting of the Parrott guns on board the Wilmington fleet, has caused the manufacture of those guns to be suspended till the cause of the bursting is ascertained.

It is believed that efforts centering at Savannah, will soon be made, under the highest authority, to organize the military strength of the slave population of Georgia.

The rebel Gen. Lyon is still in Western Kentucky Conscripting. Among his latest prizes is a whole court Judge plaintiffs, defendants, reporters, jury and spectators.

James W. Nye and Wm. Stewart have been elected United States Senators for the new State of Nevada.

A fire occurred at Hastings at two o'clock on Wednesday morning, which destroyed buildings occupied by H. Buttruff as a cabinet wareroom and dwelling, and by Mrs. Thomas as a toy and candy store, and by other parties as dwellings. Buttruff was insured for $2,600. The other sufferers had no insurance.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

FORT FISHER CAPTURED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17th

Major Gen. Dix:

The following official dispatches have just been received at this Department:

HEADQUARTERS U. S. FORCES,
On Fedral Point, N. C., Jan. 15th,
Via Fortress Monroe, Jan. 17th.

Brig. Gen. J. A. Rawlin:

Genral: I have the honor to report that Fort Fisher was carried by assault this P. M. and evening by Gen. Ame's Division and the 2d brigade of the 1st division Army Corps, gallantly aided by a battalion of Marines and Seamen from the Navy.

The assault was preceded by a heavy bombardment from the fleet, and was made at 3:30 P. M., when the first brigade, Curtis', of Ame's divission, effected a lodgment upon the parapet, but full possesion of the work was not obtarned till afternoon.

The behaviour of both officers and men was most admirable.

All the works south of Ft. Fisher are now occupied by our troops' We have not less than 1,200 prisoners, including Gen. Whiting and Col. Lamb, the commandant of the Fort.

I regret to say that our loss is severe, especially in officers. I am not yet able to form any estimate of the number of casualities.

Alfred H. Terry.
Brevet Major General Commanding the Expedition.

Another dispatch estimates the number of prisoners captured at 2,500 and the number of guns at 72.

Fort Fisher, Jan. 16, 2 a. m.

After a careful reconnoisance on the 14th it was decided to risk an assault on Fort Fisher. Paine's division with Col Abbotts brigade to hold our line already strong, across the Peninsula facing Wilmington against Hoke, while Ames' division shou'd assault on the west end.

After three hours heavy firing, the assault was made at 3 p. m., on the 15th. Curtis' brigade led, and as soon as it was on the west end of the land front, it was followed by Pinnibacker', and the latter by Bell's. After desperate fighting, going foot by foot, and severe loss, at 5 p. m., we had possession of about half the land front,

Abbott's brigade was then taken from our line facing Wilmington and put into Fort Fisher, and on pushing it forward at 10 p. m., it took the rest of the work with little resistance, the garrison falling back to the extreme of the Peninsula, where they were followed and captured. Among others Gen Whiting and Col. Lamb, both wounded.

I think we have 1,000 prisoners, I hope our loss may not exceed 500, but it is impossible to judge in the night. Among the wounded are the commanders of the three leading brigades; Gen Curtis being wounded, not severely, but Cols. Pennibacker and Bell dangerously. The land front was a formidable one, the parapet in places twelve or fifteen feet high, but the men went at it nobly, under a severe musketry fire. The marines and sailors went up galiantly, but the musketry fire from the east end of the land front, was so severe that they did not succeed in entering the work. The navy fire on the work, judging from the holes, must have been terrific. Many of the guns were uninjured. How many there were on the Point I cannot say. Perhaps thirty or forty.

C. B. COMSTOCK,
Lt. Col. A. D. C. & Chief Engineer.

Another Appaling Disaster,

From the N. Y. Herald:

The bark Rechabite, Capt. Leeman, arrived at this port yesterday morning from Ragged Island. Capt. Leeman reports that on the 8th instant, about three A. M., his attention was attracted by calls. In laying to and sending a boat, he found on a piece of hurricane deck, part of a wreck, Albert L. Bayden, who stated that he had taken passage on board of one of Whitney and Hatheway's steamers, the Melville, which sailed from New York on the 5th instant, bound to Hilton Head, and had encountered heavy southwest winds, with a heavy sea, until the 7th at about nine p. m, when her bows were stove in by the sea.

The captain ordered the boat lowered when he, the chief engineer, the first cook and one seaman, with several others, were swamped in it. The passengers by bailing with buckets, were enabled to keep her afloat until about eleven o'clock the next day, Sunday morning, when we lowered the remaining boat, a metalic life-boat; but before we could get the lady passengers into it, the Melville went down, part bow first, upsetting the life-boat. There was a vessel in sight from about 12 o'clock at night, which was seen often until we foundeaed, when she was seen no more. Mr. Bayden says he saw a great many perish and many clinging to the pieces of the wreck. He was in company with the lifeboat, and within hailing distance of her until about sunset. She was then free of water, and had only three persons in her, he thinks two men and one lady. They answered his call but kept clear of him. He was in sight of portions of the wreck until sunset. The boat's crew made no effort to save any who were still clinging to the wreck. They burned the mail, consisting of three newspaper bags and one letter bag, with all the mattrasses, and every combustible thing on board to signalize the vessel in sight. There were about sixty five passengers, five of them ladies, and about twenty-five officers, crew and firemen,

Additional Particulars are brought by the brig Harriet, Captain Batraby, from Porto Cabello, which arrived last evening, pickel up the three men who were in lifeboat.

Captain Batraby states that on the 8th instant, latitude 38 10, longitude 74 05, he was hailed by a boat containing the mate, third engineer, and one passenger of the steamer Melville, hence for Hilton Head, and foundered at sea on the 8th instant, took them on board and brought them to his port.

Manhood: how Lost, how Restored!

JUST published, a new edition of Dr. CULVERWELL' celebrated Essay on the radical cure (without medicine) of Spermatorrhœa, or seminal Weakness, Involuntary Seminal Losses, Impotency, Mental and Physical Incapacity, Impediments to Marriage, etc: also, Consumption Epilepsy, and Fits, induced by self-indulgence or sexual extravagance.

☞ Price, in a sealed envelope, only 6 cents.

The celebrated author in this admirable essay clearly demonstrates, from a thirty years' successful practice, that the alarming consequences of self abuse may be radically cured without the dangerous use of internal medicine or the application of the knife—pointing out a mode of cure at once simple, certain, and effectual, by means of which every sufferer, no matter what his condition may be, may cure himself cheaply, privately and radically.

☞ This lecture should be in the hands of every youth and every man in the land.

Sent, under seal, in a plain envelope, to any any address, post paid, on receipt of six cents, or two post stamps. Address the publishers,

CHAS. J. C. KINE & CO.,
127 BOWERY, New York.
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Use the Safe Pleasant Remedy known as HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

For all Complaints instant to the sex. No family should be without it, and none will when once tried by them. It is used By Young and Old. In the decline or change of life, before and after Marriage, during and confinement, to strengthen the Nerves, restore Nature to its Proper channel, and invigorate the Broken down Constitution from whatever cause originating.

USE NO MORE WORTHLESS PILLS!

TAKE

HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

See Advertisement in another column. Cut out, and send for it.

NEW GOODS.

Just received, a new and complete assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, consisting in part, of

Dry Goods and GROCERIES.

J. M. THOMPSON.

GARDEN CITY, MINN.,

WOULD respectfully announce to the people of Faribault and Blue Earth counties, that he has just received a large assortment of Goods for

FALL & WINTER!

SUCH AS—

Prints,	Shawls.
De Laines,	Boots & Shoes,
Denims,	wool Yarn,
Brown Sheeting.	Cod Fish.
Bleach'd Sheet'g,	Mackerel,
Cassimeres,	White Fish.
Satinetts,	Dried Apple,

KENTUCKY JEANS,

STRIPES.

DRIED PEACHES

CANDLE WICKING

HATS & CAPS.

☞ And in fact everything kept in a WELL FILLED country store, all of which will be sold as cheap as

Can be bought in the State.

The highest CASH prices will be paid for

Wheat & Furs!

☞ Remember the place—
NEXT DOOR SOUTH THE HOTEL

Measles are prostrating the Volunteers by hundreds, the hospitals are crowded with them. Soldiers, be warned in time. HOLLOWAY'S PILLS are positively infallible in the cure of this disease; occasional doses of them will preserve the health even under the greatest exposures.

If the reader of this notice cannot get a box of Pills or Ointment from the drug store in his place let him write to me 80 Maiden Lane, enclosing ohe amount and I will mail a box free of expense. Many dealers will not keep my medicines on hand because they cannot make much profit as on others make, 35 cents 88 cents and $1,40 per box or pot.

TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the whole amount of tax levyed on the dollar valuation in Martin county Minn., for the year 1864, is as follows, to wit.—

For State interest	2 mills
" " revenue,	3½ "
" County,	10 "
" " War Tax,	6 "
" " bridge tax,	8 "
" Town of Waverly,	4 cen's
" " Fairmount,	4 mills
" " Nevada,	3 "
" School,	2 "
" " District No. 1	15 "
" " " " 2	8 "
" " " " 4	4 "
" " " " 5	8 "
" " " " 7	14 "

Also that I will be at the usual places of holding Elections in the several townships for the purpose of receiving taxes on the following days to wit.

In Waverly, Thursday 12th of January, 1865.
In Nashville Tuesday, 10th " "
In Nevada, Wednesday, 18th " "
In Fairmount, Tuesday, 24th " "
Fairmount Dec 20th 1864.

AARON SMITH
Treasurer of Martin county Minn.

Noiice.

Notice is herchy given that the Commissioners on the estate of Richard Chatfield deceased, of East Chain Lake, Minn. will meet at the office of the Hon. Judge of Probate, at Chain Lake Centre on Wednesday, January 25th, 1865, at nine o'clock A. m., to sdjust and allow claims for and against caid estate. J. C. STRONG,
Chairman of Board of Commissioners

U.S. 7-30 LOAN

The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice that subscriptions will be received for Cupon Treasury Notes payable three years from Aug. 15th 1864, semi-annual interest at the rate of seven and three-tenths per cent. per annum,—principal and interest both to be paid in lawful money.

These notes will be convertable at the option of the holder at maturity, into six per cent. gold bearing bonds, payable not less than five nor more than twenty years from their date, as the Government may elect. They will be issued in denominations of $50, $100, $500, $1,000 and $5,000, and all subscriptions must be for fifty dollars or some multiple of fifty dollars.

As the notes draw interest from August 15, persons making deposits subsequent to that date must pay the interest accrued from the date of note to date of deposit.

Special advantages of this Loan.

IT IS A NATIONAL SAVINGS BANK, offering a higher rate of interest than any other and the BEST SECURITY. Any savings bank which pays its depositors in U. S. Notes, considers that it is paying in the best circulating medium of the country, and it cannot pay in anything better, for its own assets are either in goverment securities or in notes or bonds payable in government paper.

Convertable into a Six per cent. 5-20 Gold Bond.

In addition to the very liberal interest on the notes for three years, this privilege of conversion is now worth about three per cent. per annum for the current rate for 5-20 Bonds it not less than **nine per cent. premium**, and before the war the premium on six per cent. U. S. stocks was over twenty per cent, It will be seen that the actual profit on this loan, at the present market rate, is not less than ten per cent per annum:

Its Exemption from State or Municipal Taxation.

But aside from all the advantages we have enumerated, a special act of Congress exempts all bonds and treasury notes **from local Taxation**. On the average, this exemption is worth about two per cent. per annum, according to the rate of taxation in various parts of the country.

It is believed that no securities offer so great inducements to lenders as those issued by the government. In all other forms of indebtedness the faith or ability of private parties, or stock companies, or seperate communities, only, is pledged for payment, while the whole property of the country is held to secure the discharge of all the obligations of the United States.

Subscriptions will be received by the Treasurer of the United States, at Washington, the several Assistant Treasurers and designated Depositaries, and by the

First National Bank of St Paul

And by all National Banks which are depositaries of public money, and

ALL RESPECTABLE BANKS AND BANKERS

throughout the country will give further information and

AFFORD EVERY FACILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS.

October 26, 1864. n52m2

Wanted! Wanted!!

1000 Bushels of CORN at the Mill, in Winnebago City Minn., for which the highest market will be paid.

McCORMICK & TAPLIN.

Waned! Wanted!!

Wanted at this office IMMEDIATELY a boy from 16 to 18 years of age smart and active, to learn the printing business. One that has had some experience prefered.

Sheep for Sale!

The subscriber would inform the farmers of this vicinity, that he has for sale One Hundred Wethers, and Fifty Ewes, all of which are in fine condition. Any person wishing to purchase can find me at my farm three miles west of Winnebago City, on Saturday the sixth day of November next. I will sell either at private sale or at auction. EUGENE HUNTINGTON.

$50 REWARD

STOLEN from the stable of the subscriber on the 11th inst., about 12 o'clock at night, two Bay Mares, nearly of one size. The smallest one has a white spot in the forehead in the shape of a half moon, the left hind foot white from the fetlock down. The largest is a shade the darkest, with a few white hairs over the left eye. Any one giving information where said property may be found, or returning the same to the owner, one and a half miles East of Minnesota Lake, will receive the above rewrd.

50w4 FREDERICK POPAHL.

To Farmers.

Wanted, 5,000 bushels of Oats! The highest CASH price will be paid for oats.

Wanted, Teams to be loaded to Fort Ridgley. Apply to

52w3 MOULTON & WELCH.

Taken Up

By the subscriber about the last of October in the town of Verona Faribault County, to Calves one red mooley, the other red with line back. Also one two-year-old HEIFER, with one lop horn. The owner is requested to come, prove property pay charges and take them away.

3w3 MITCHEL BURSEL.

Farmers of the Blue-Earth valley

when you come to Mankato, stop at

O. WARD'S!

Where you can find every variety of

Dry Goods,

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BOOTS & SHOES.

HATS & CAPS!

WITH ALL THE LATEST STYLES OF READY MADE

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And in fact everything you will be likely to want, and at PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

Try us when you come to town. If we can't suit you when you call on us, that will be our fault. If you, when you come to town, do not give us a chance to suit you that is your OSS.

GIVE HIM A TRIAL

Mankato, March 16, 1864. 21y1

PRICES GREATLY REDUCED.

THE CITY

DRUG STORE!

LEWIS and FRISBIE,

(Successors to J. R. Tinkcom.)

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

Drugs,

Medicines,

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Dye Stuffs,

Cigars, and

PURE LIQUORS.

We have also a splendid assortment of

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Corner of FRONT & HICKORY sts
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STOVES!

TIN, COPPER AND Sheet Iron Ware

As Cheap as the Cheapest!

The undersigned would improve the opportunity now offered to acknowledge the favors heretofore received and would respectfully say to his old patrons and all others that he is now receiving a new supply of

STOVES & STOCK

in his line, and will be better prepared than heretofore to supply them with a variety of

TIN, COPPER

SHEET IRON, JAPANNED

and Pressed Wares,

STOVES, PIPE

POLISH, &C.,

at prices as low as the times will admit.

Job Work and Repairing

will receive special and prompt attention.

R. E. ABBOTT.

Winnebago City, Oct. 26, 1863.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

☞ The following is the list as it now stands, of the lucky crowd in this town who have not got any blemishes sufficient to keep 'em in out of the draft:

W W Howe,	Simeon Wilsie,
R B Johnson,	P H Allen,
J H Welch,	H W Holley,
J L Christie,	G K Moulton,
R T Wickham,	F F Harlow,
John Boss,	Henry Boss,
R E Abbott,	C S Kimball,
G B Root,	Frank Deudon,
Benj. Bersie,	Geo. Nelson,
E B Kendall,	W J Mason,
John McCormick,	L G Thomas,
Chas. Dana,	James Crays,
Floyd Smith,	A Wafu,
L Apley,	Chrs C McManus,
Jacob Snell,	Leonard Huffman,
Arthur Johnson,	Allen M Lockwood,
Jo L Wier,	G Wier,
D P Wier,	Alonzo Taplin,
Daniel Lathrop,	E L Main,
A O Dunn,	J A Latimer,
John B. Edwards,	John Spencer,
H H Gilman,	G. Dodge,
William Stauffer,	Wm Aldrich,
F. M. Pierce,	N Oligher.
W Burnett,	John N Miller,
C McCabe,	H J Davlin,
W B Hammond,	W Webster,
S Woodman,	H T Thurston,

☞ That best of Magazines, Godey's Lady's Book, for February is before us. Godey still leads the van for beautiful engravings, latest fashions and choicest reading matter. It is not too late now, to send in clubs for 1865. Send them along and thereby be the possessor of the best magazine published in the United States.

☞ Read what "Poor Richard" says regarding U. S. Bonds, to be found on our first page, then take his advice and do likewise. By doing this you will not only receive a good interest on your money, but will help sustain the Government.

☞ From what we can learn, only about one third of those who have visited the Provost Marshalls office to get exempted for physical disability have succeeded in getting their names stricken from the lists. It is gratifying to know that we are not quite as sick a people as we think we are.

☞ On Saturday last the warm pleasant weather we have been enjoying the past month caught cold, and winter threatens now to set in, in earnest. Not enough snow yet however for sleighing.

☞ Messrs. Latimer and Clabaugh, Supervisors of this town were at St. Peter last week attending to the correction of the enrollment list of this town. Through their efforts several non-residents were struck from the roll.

Good chance to Enlist.—J. H. Huntington Esq. of this town has been commissioned recruiting officer for the 1st Regt. of Minnesota Heavy Artillery. Now is the time to enlist. Artillery service is the best branch of service there is, and the Capt. is a first rate man to enlist under. Remember there is to be a draft on the 15th of February. The Town of Winnebago City, will give Four Hundred Dollars to any recruit who will credit himself to the same.

Elsewhere see advertisement of A. D. Masons Stage and Express lines. Mr. M. knows what the people of the Blue Earth valley want, and is bound to furnish it to them. Any person having express packages to send, will find it to their advantage to patronize this line.

Harper's monthly and weekly have been received. The monthly ranks among the best of Magazines, and the weekly has never been surpassed either for its illustrations and its general intelligence. Every body should take these periodicals.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES.—From the Medical Director of General Hospital; Benton Barracks' near St Louis, March 8th, 1862.

Messrs. John I. Brown & Son, Boston, Mass. "Use of your far-famed and most serviceable 'Troches' is being made in the hospital of which I have charge, and with very beneficial and decided in allaying bronchial irritation and morbid sensativeness of mucnous membrane of glottis and parts adjacent.

BLUE EARTH VALLEY

EXPRESS & STAGE LINE.

A. D MASON,—Proprietor.

The proprietor of the Blue Earth Stage Line has recently placed upon the above route an Express Line, which affords facilities for carrying freight and money equal to any Company in the State, and is now prepared to do a general Express business from Mankato to Blue Earth City, and points intermediate, connecting with the American Express at Mankato, for all points in the East.

THE EXPRESS Leaves Mankato on Mondays and Fridays. Leaves Blue Earth City on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

THE STAGE Leaves Mankato Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Leaves Blue Earth City, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

The Proprietor guarantees satisfaction to all who may entrust business to him.

Winnebago City, Jan. 1864. n13y2tf

BEWARE OF IMPOSITION.

A Company having been recently started in Rochester, of which one C. H. Foote is Secretary (Formerly, but NOT NOW secretary of the Farmers' Company,) the public are warned against confusing the two companies—the so called "Rochester Insurance Company" having no capital to secure its policy holders, and being controlled by non residents of the State. This company having without authority used the names of prominent citizens of Minnesota to give it a false standing and credit, the following "cards" published in the Rochester City Post of December 17th, were given to the public by the persons whose names were so wrongfully used:

CARD.

The undersigned, having been informed that their names have been used and published in a card as "Directors and references" in the so called "Rochester Insurance Company," desire to say that they know nothing of said company, have not had and do not desire to have any connection with it in any capacity whatever: and hereby decline to be held responsible in any way for its doings.

Rochester, Dec. 15, 1864.

JOHN M. COLE
C. H. LINDSLEY,
W. S. BOOTH.

Note from Mr. Shandrew.

Winona, Dec. 15, 1864.

FRIEND WHITCOMB:—Yours of the 12th is received. In reply I would say, that if my name has been used in connection with the socalled "Rochester Insurance Co." lately started in your city by Mitchell, Foote and others, it has been done without my consent and against my wishes as expressed to the former some three weeks since

Yours truly,
F. E. SHANDREW.

CARD

Of the Directors of the Farmers' Insurance Company.

In order to avoid confusion and misunderstanding, the Directors of the Farmers' Insurance Co. deem it their duty to inform the public that for reasons of a prudential character they have dissolved all connection with Mr. C. H. Foote, formerly Secretary of the company, who is not now connected with the Company in any capacity whatever. This statement is made in order to guard the public against mistaking a new organization, styled the "Rochester Insurance Company," (of which Mr. Foote now purports to be the Secretary,) for the old and well established Farmers', with which it has no connection whatever.

The Directors take pleasure in further announcing, that they have deposited with the "First National Bank" of Rochester, (see certificate below) an amount of securities, which, in connection with the acquired capital already in the hands of the Company, forms a capital of $27,000.

The Directors of the "Farmers'" have undertaken this enterprise in a spirit of entire good faith, and pledge their best efforts to make it at once, the safest, soundest, and cheapest company for the insured existing in the State.

LOUIS WALKER,
J. V. DANIELS,
JOHN R. COOK,
C. C. JONES,
O. P. WHITCOMB,
W. D. HURLBUT,
D. BLAKELY,
CHAS. SCHEFFER,
S. A. KENNEDY,
Directors Farmers' Insurance Co.

I hereby certify that the President of the Farmers' Insurance Company of Rochester, has deposited securities with the First National Bank of Rochester to the amount of $10,000 as additional capital to the acquired capital of said company in cash and premium notes.

T. W. TITUS, Cashier.

Rochester, Dec. 15, 1864.

☞ READ THIS! ☜

A "Wild Cat" Insurance Company.

The following communication from a substantial citizen of Rochester to the Post newspaper, with reference to a new company entitled the "Rochester Insurance Company," will explain itself:

About Insurance Companies.

To the Editor of the Rochester Post:

SIR:—I notice by reference to the Articles of Incorporation on file with the Register of Deeds, that there are in existence at Rochester at the present time, two Insurance Companies, which the public are invited to patronize and encourage. If these Companies are worthy of the confidence of the public, and are able to meet their liabilities they ought to be encouraged and sustained. On the contrary, if one or both of them fail to combine these elements of strength, the people who are solicited to take risks in them, and who always suffer largely by the failure of such Institutions too meet their liabilities, should early be informed of their danger. The laws of Minnesota are surprisingly lax in regard to Insurance projects, and only the watchful scrutiny of the people can insure them against the designs of evil disposed persons.

I find that the Farmers' Insurance Company has for its Directors citizens of Minnesota who have long been well and favorably known both in public and in private life, as responsible and honorable men. Among these are Ex-Gov Ramsey, State Treasurer Scheffer and Secretary Blakely, John R. Cook, President of the First National Bank Hon. J. V. Daniels, O. P. Whitcomb, Treasurer of Olmstead County, and Wm. D. Hurlbut, Louis Walker and C. C. Jones Esqs. The intention of these gentlemen to deal honorably by the public cannot be doubted. The question which remains is as to the capital which they have acquired or devoted to the safety of the company. By inquiry at the Secretary's office, I find that the company have issued five hundred policies, and have acquired a member's Capital in cash and premium notes of $17,060. In addition to this the Directors of the Company have subscribed an additional capital of $10,000 and deposited it with the first National Bank of Rochester, to remain as a guarantee for its liabilities until its acquired capital shall reach $50,000—which, in the present prosperous condition of the Company cannot be long. They have thus complied with such laws as are in force in New York regulating new companies and such as unquestionably ought to be in force here. I believe the Farmers' Insurance Co. to be a sound and trustworthy Institution.

I now turn my attention to the new company styled the "Rochester Insurance Company." On a card issued by this Company the following names appear as "Directors and Reference," viz: C. L. Currier, C. H. Foote, M. D. Farr, L. G. M. Fletcher, W. H. Mitchell, A. F. Childs, C. H. Butts, H. A. Brown, D. Chase, W. S. Booth, F. E. Shandrew, C. H. Lindsley, and John M. Cole. The first seven of these persons are by the Articles of Incorporation made Directors for the term of five years—the members and policy-holders of the company having no voice in electing their successors during the whole of this time, and no control over them whatever, let their action be what it may! Comment upon this feature is manifestly unnecessary. Five of these five years Directors are from foreign States, and nothing is known of them by the people of Minnesota. A majority of the Board of management mentioned in the charter are therefore not Minnesotians—have no property interest here whatever, as appears by the records of the Court House, and such of them as are here for the purpose of running this Company, may go away as quickly and as silently as they came, and none will be the wiser.

Of the remaining names mentioned above, all are honorable and sound men residing in our midst. But on being referred to Messrs. Brown and Chase say they are not Directors and know nothing about the company. They are probably "References." Messrs. Shandrew, Lindsley, Booth and Cole decline any connection with the Company, know nothing about it, and desire no credit to be given it on their account. The placing of their names before the public as "Directors and References" therefore constitutes a case of direct fraud, and subjects the offenders to fine and imprisonment. (See Sec. XIV, p 331 Revised Statutes." The further claim of the company that its 'capital consists in first liens on real estate' is intentional deception and misrepresentation, and lays the individual property of the Directors liable for the debts of the company. But as the names of none of the Directors appear on the real estate rolls of the county, the condition of policy holders, in case of loss by fire, and the failure of the company to respond may be seen at a glance.

The sole capital of this company consists in the premium notes of its policy holders. As the company has but just begun its business, it can have no amount of these. That it is therefore a wild-cat institution of the very worst species is clearly apparent.

—I have made this examination, Mr. Editor and stated the result, with no other purpose than to protect the people, and to compel this company either to adopt measures for the protection of their policy holders, or to cease to do business. I trust they will adopt the former course. Good insurance companies will benefit the city and community at large, while the experience of all enterprises of the kind have demonstrated the curse which poor ones are to all who have any thing to do with them. Yours, &c.,

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SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the person applying for the benefit of this act shall, upon application to the register of the land office in which he or she is about to make such entry, make affidavit before the said register or receiver that he or she is the head of a family, or is twenty-one or more years of age, or shall have performed service in the army or navy of the United States, and that he has never borne arms against the Government of the United States or given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that such application is made for his or her exclusive use and benefit, and that said entry is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; and upon filing the said affidavit with the register or receiver, and on payment of ten dollars, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to enter the quantity of land specified: Provided however, That no certificate shall be given or patent issue therefore until the expiration of five years from the date of such entry; and if, at the expiration of such time, or at any time within two years thereafter the person making such entry,—or if he be dead, his widow; or in case of her death—shall prove by two credible witnesses that he, she, or they have resided upon or cultivated the same for the term of five years immediately succeeding the time of filing the affidavit aforesaid, and shall make affidavit that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to the Government of the United States; then, in such case he, she, or they, if at that time a citizen of the United States, shall be entitled to a patent, as in other cases provided for by law; And provided, further. That in case of the death of both father and mother, leaving an infant child, or children, under twenty-one years of age the right and fee shall enure to the benefit of said infant child or children; and the executor, administrator, or guardian may, at any time within two years after the death of the surviving parent and in accordance with the laws of the State in which such children for the time being have their domicil, sell said land for the benefit of said infants, but for no other purpose; and the purchaser shall acquire the absolute title by the purchase, and be entitled to a patent from the United States on payment of the office fees and sum of money herein specified.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That the register of the land office shall note all such applications on the tract books and plats of his office, and keep a register of all such entries, and make return thereof to the General Land Office, together with the proof upon which they have been founded.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That no lands acquired under the provision of this act shall in any event become liable to the satisfaction of any debt or debts contracted prior to the issuing of the patent thereof.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That if, at any time after the filing of the affidavit, as required in the second section of this act, and before the expiration of the five years aforesaid, it shall be proven, after due notice to the settler, to the satisfaction of the register of the land office, that the person having filed such affidavit shall have actually changed his or her residence, or abandoned the said land for more than six months at any time, then and in that event the land so entered shall revert to the Government.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That no individual shall be permitted to acquire title to more than one quarter section under the provisions of this act; and that the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby required to prepare and issue such rules and regulations, consistent with this act, as shall be necessary and proper to carry its provisions into effect; and that the registers and receivers of the several land offices shall be entitled to receive the same compensation for any lands entered under the provisions of this act that they are now entitled to receive when the same quantity of land is entered with money, one half to be paid by the person making the application at the time of so doing, and the other half on the issue of the certificate by the person to whom it may be issued; but this shall not be construed to enlarge the maximum of compensation now prescribed by law for any register or receiver: Provided, That nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to impair or interfere in any manner whatever with existing pre-emption rights: And provided, further, That all persons who may have filed their applications for a preemption right prior to the passage of this act shall be entitled to all the privileges of this act: Provided, further, That no person who has served, or may hereafter serve, for a period of not less than fourteen days in the army or navy of the United States, either regular or volunteer, under the laws thereof, during the existence of an actual war, domestic or foreign, shall be deprived of the benefits of this act on account of not having attained the age of twenty one years.

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GALUSHA A. GROW,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
S. FOOT,
President pro tem. of the senate.
Approved, May 20, 1862.
ABRAHAM LINCOLN,
President of the United states.

The following is the amendment to the Homestead Law, which passed Congress on the 15th of March, 1864.

Amendment of The Homestead law.

The bill provides that in case of any person desirous of availing himself of the benefits of the homestead act of May 20, 1862, but who, by reason of actual service in the military or naval service of the United States, is unable to do the personal preliminary acts at the district land office which that act requires, it shall and may be lawful for such person to make the affidavit required by that act before the officer commanding in the branch of the service in which he may be engaged, which affidavit shall be as binding in law, and with like penalties, as if taken before the register or receiver; and upon such affidavit being filed with the register by the wife or other representative of the party, shall become effective from the date of filing, provided the application and affidavit are accompanied by the fee and commissions as required by law.

The second section provides that besides the ten dollar fee exacted by the homestead act, the applicant shall hereafter pay to the register and receiver each, as commissions, at the time of entry, one per cent, upon the cash price as fixed by law of the land applied for, and like commissions when the claim is finally established and the certificate therefore issued as the basis of a patent.

The third section provides that in any case hereafter in which the applicant for the benefit of the homestead is prevented, by reason of distance, bodily infirmity or other good cause, from personal attendance at the district land office, he may make the affidavit required by the original statute before the clerk of the court for the county in which he is an actual resident, and transmit the same, with the fee and commissions, to the register and receiver.

The fourth section provides that in lieu of the fee allowed by the twelfth section of the preemption act of 4th September 1841, the register and receiver shall each be entitled to one dollar for their services in acting upon preemption claims and shall be allowed, jointly, at the rate of fifteen cents per hundred words for the testimony which may be reduced by them to writing for claimant in establishing preemption or homestead rights.

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Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the person applying for the benefit of this act shall, upon application to the register of the land office in which he or she is about to make such entry, make affidavit before the said register or receiver that he or she is the head of a family, or is twenty-one or more years of age, or shall have performed service in the army or navy of the United States, and that he has never borne arms against the Government of the United States or given aid and comfort to its enemies, and that such application is made for his or her exclusive use and benefit, and that said entry is made for the purpose of actual settlement and cultivation, and not either directly or indirectly for the use or benefit of any other person or persons whomsoever; and upon filing the said affidavit with the register or receiver, and on payment of ten dollars, he or she shall thereupon be permitted to enter the quantity of land specified: Provided however, That no certificate shall be given or patent issued therefore until the expiration of five years from the date of such entry; and if, at the expiration of such time, or at any time within two years thereafter the person making such entry,—or if he be dead, his widow; or in case of her death—shall prove by two credible witnesses that he, she, or they have resided upon or cultivated the same for the term of five years immediately succeeding the time of filing the affidavit aforesaid, and shall make affidavit that no part of said land has been alienated, and that he has borne true allegiance to the Government of the United States; then, in such case he, she, or they, if at that time a citizen of the United States, shall be entitled to a patent, as in other cases provided for by law; And provided, further, That in case of the death of both father and mother, leaving an infant child, or children, under twenty-one years of age the right and fee shall enure to the benefit of said infant child or children; and the executor, administrator, or guardian may, at any time within two years after the death of the surviving parent and in accordance with the laws of the State in which such children for the time being have their domicil, sell said land for the benefit of said infants, but for no other purpose; and the purchaser shall acquire the absolute title by the purchase, and be entitled to a patent from the United States on payment of the office fees and sum of money herein specified.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the register of the land office shall note all such applications on the track books and plats of his office, and keep a register of all such entries, and make return thereof to the General Land Office, together with the proof upon which they have been founded.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That no lands acquired under the provision of this act shall in any event become liable to the satisfaction of any debt or debts contracted prior to the issuing of the patent thereof.

Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, That if, at any time after the filing of the affidavit, as required in the second section of this act, and before the expiration of the five years aforesaid, it shall be proven, after due notice to the settler, to the satisfaction of the register of the land office, that the person having filed such affidavit shall have actually changed his or her residence, or abandoned the said land for more than six months at any time, then and in that event the land so entered shall revert to the Government.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That no individual shall be permitted to acquire title to more than one quarter section under the provisions of this act; and that the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby required to prepare and issue such rules and regulations, consistent with this act, as shall be necessary and proper to carry its provisions into effect; and that the registers and receivers of the several land offices shall be entitled to receive the same compensation for any lands entered under the provisions of this act that they are now entitled to receive when the same quantity of land is entered with money, one half to be paid by the person making the application at the time of so doing, and the other half on the issue of the certificate by the person to whom it may be issued; but this shall not be construed to enlarge the maximum of compensation now prescribed by law for any register or receiver: Provided, That nothing contained in this act shall be so construed as to impair or interfere in any manner whatever with existing pre-emption rights: And provided, further, That all persons who may have filed their applications for a preemption right prior to the passage of this act shall be entitled to all the privileges of this act: Provided, further, That no person who has served, or may hereafter serve, for a period of not less than fourteen days in the army or navy of the United States, either regular or volunteer, under the laws thereof, during the existence of an actual war, domestic or foreign, shall be deprived of the benefits of this act on account of not having attained the age of twenty one years.

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GALUSHA A. GROW,
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Approved, May 20, 1862.

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The third section provides that in any case hereafter in which the applicant for the benefit of the homestead is prevented, by reason of distance, bodily infirmity or other good cause, from personal attendance at the district land office, he may make the affidavit required by the original statute before the clerk of the court for the county in which he is an actual resident, and transmit the same, with the fee and commissions, to the register and receiver.

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